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SHOVELLING SNOW & LEAVES
Aly Bower shovels a combination of snow and leaves from the McDougall Centre plaza on Thursday morning following an overnight snowfall in Calgary. The sudden arrival of winter led to some chaos on city streets, with 13 injury collisions and 93 non-injury collisions reported to the Calgary Police Service between midnight and 4 p.m. The number of crashes is up 23 per cent from the same period last week. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Beef plant restarts limited operations

Infections. To date, 12 people in four provinces have been infected by a strain of E. coli that has been linked to the plant

The Alberta plant at the centre of an E. coli scare and massive beef recall is being allowed to resume limited operations.

But the Canadian Food Inspection Agency says no products will leave the XL Foods meat packer in Brooks until the agency has approved a full reopening.

"Beginning today XL Foods will be permitted to resume limited in-house cutting and further processing under strict enhanced oversight," Harpreet Kochhar, executive direc-

tor for the agency's western operations, said Thursday.

"This will allow the CFIA to review in a controlled manner the company's improvements made to all previously addressed deficiencies."

The plant was shut down Sept. 27 during an ever-expanding recall of its beef products across Canada and more than 20 other countries, including the United States.

Kochhar said the plant has been cleaned and sanitized, and condensation, drainage and ice buildup have also been addressed.

He said no new animals will be slaughtered. The 5,100 carcasses to be processed are already in the plant and have been tested for E. coli. Kochhar said 99 per cent are free of the bacteria.

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Break-in

Dozens of guns stolen from shooting centre, police say

Calgary police are investigating after a break-in at a local shooting centre saw thieves make off with dozens of firearms.

The incident happened Thursday at the Calgary Shooting Centre, located at 7130 Fisher Road S.E., around 4:15 a.m., according to police duty Insp. Patty McCallum.

She added that there were multiple intruders who may have used a truck to haul away the weapons.

John Meilleur, one of the centre's owners, learned of the break-in early Thursday morning and rushed down to see what happened. He said damage to the business is minimal, noting a front window had been smashed, but wouldn't comment on a possible entry point used by the thieves.

"Obviously, you're in shock," he said of his reaction. "We are just glad no one was hurt and are trying to pick up the pieces as best we can."

The centre is still open for limited business while police continue to investigate. All of the stolen items were insured, Meilleur said, but added police investigators have requested he not disclose specifics on the missing firearms.

McCallum said the centre is still doing an audit to determine everything that was taken, but initial reports indicate upwards of 30 firearms were stolen.

She said robberies of establishments where firearms are stored don't occur often. "It's always a concern," McCallum said.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO



Transportation minister Ric McIver is standing behind new impaired driving legislation in Alberta, and isn't surprised that the new measures appear to have had little effect on bar business. METRO FILE

McIver to impaired-driving-law naysayers: 'I told you so'

Initial feedback.

Restaurant industry, taxi brokers report little impact in wake of strengthened penalties for .05 and .08 violations



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New impaired-driving legislation was never intended to harm Alberta's hospitality sector, says the provincial transportation minister, who points to initial feedback from industry representatives as proof that it hasn't.

Ric McIver, along with other proponents of strengthened penalties for .05 and .08 blood-alcohol violations, fielded questions from hospitality representa-

tives during a seminar Thursday held as part of the first Alberta Liquor Industry Conference.

In the lead up to Sept. 1 implementation of the .05 phase of the law, some opposition party members and Alberta bar owners expressed fears that average drinkers would pass on their typical pint or two at a local establishment over fear of having their license suspended for an extended period.

But Mark von Schellwitz, the Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association's vice-president for Western Canada, said only minor shifts in business have been reported to date.

"I think there's a little less fear, people know what their limits are," he said.

McIver's not surprised by the industry feedback.

"While it's impolite to say I told you so, in this case I am going to say I told you so,"

Still to come

- The Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association plans to conduct a formal member survey as early as November to gauge further industry feedback on Alberta's new impaired-driving

legislation.

- Calgary defence lawyer Ian Savage said a formal legal challenge of the strengthened .05 penalties is likely to be filed this month.

he said to opponents of the law. "People in the hospitality industry pay lots of taxes, they employ lots of Albertans ... who has a greater stake in the success of the hospitality industry than the government of Alberta? People accused us of trying to kill it, (that) logically doesn't make any sense."

The opposition Wildrose party's justice critic said, however, that his party's always been more concerned that the legislation targets people who are not over the

Criminal Code-mandated level of impairment — .08.

"Of course, in Canada we have a very important legal principle, presumption of innocence," Shayne Saskiw said.

"There are arguments that have been made by certain groups that this takes that away and it's going to force people to plead out rather than have their day in court."

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Crime prevention

Anti-gang program gets federal cash

A Calgary program aimed at preventing immigrant youth from joining gangs and helping those already involved get out has received a financial boost from the federal government.

The Effective Community Response to Immigrant Youth

Gang Crime Project is run by the Centre for Newcomers Society of Calgary. It will receive an additional \$300,000 from Ottawa over nine months, bringing total funding to \$1.56 million.

The program has already helped between 60 and 90 high-risk youth, said Francis Boakye, manager of programs and community relations.

Boakye said young immigrants face hurdles when they

arrive in Canada.

"Immigrant youth face numerous challenges including being new to Canada and learning to adjust to new ways of life, while adjusting to all the rules," said Boakye at a Calgary news conference Thursday.

"Some bring bruised and scarred memories, some are isolated, others are traumatized. All are seeking to understand who they are and where

they belong."

The program provides one-on-one counselling sessions to young people and helps them learn to build relationship skills. They also receive employment skills training and engage in social activities.

"Canadians have made it clear that they want us to take action to keep our streets and communities safe," said Public Safety Minister Vic Toews, who was on hand for

the announcement.

"We also know a balanced approach is the best way to reduce crime, which is why we're committed to supporting crime prevention efforts — particularly those that are aimed at youth."

The minister said the government funded 138 community crime prevention projects in 2011, helping 16,000 youth considered "at-risk."

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Minister of Public Safety Vic Toews is seen during Thursday's event.

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Police foundation aims to steer youth away from crime

Early intervention.

Opportunities abound in Calgary, police chief says, but 'not all kids and families start on equal ground'



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Some of Alberta's most powerful people gathered in Calgary on Thursday to support the city's most vulnerable children.

Premier Alison Redford, Mayor Naheed Nenshi and executives with some of the province's largest companies came together for the launch of the Calgary Police Foundation.

Donors have already contributed millions of dollars to kickstart the organization, but executive director Janet Pieschel is seeking millions more to help run the foundation's education, early-intervention and crime-prevention programs. "The factors that lead young people to a life of crime, gangs, drug addiction and antisocial behaviour are observed very early in a young person's life," Calgary police Chief Rick Hanson said. "We know the

outcomes of these factors are predictable and if they're predictable, they're preventable."

The foundation will work with schools, Alberta Health Services, social workers and other agencies to identify at-risk youth and "help steer them onto the right path," Hanson said, ideally before they leave elementary school.

Redford applauded the move towards "an integrated approach to supporting vulnerable people no matter where they live.... Our community only succeeds when everyone in our community has an opportunity," she said.

Generous donors

- **Helpful resources.** Canadian Natural Resources Ltd., Cenovus Energy, Enbridge, Encana and Talisman Energy each contributed \$1 million to help found the Calgary Police Foundation.
- **Ahead of the game.** Another \$1-million donation Thursday morning from MEG Energy put the foundation 65 per cent of the way to its \$10-million fundraising goal.



Calgary Police Service Chief Rick Hanson speaks at the McDougall Centre Thursday morning during a launch event for the Calgary Police Foundation.

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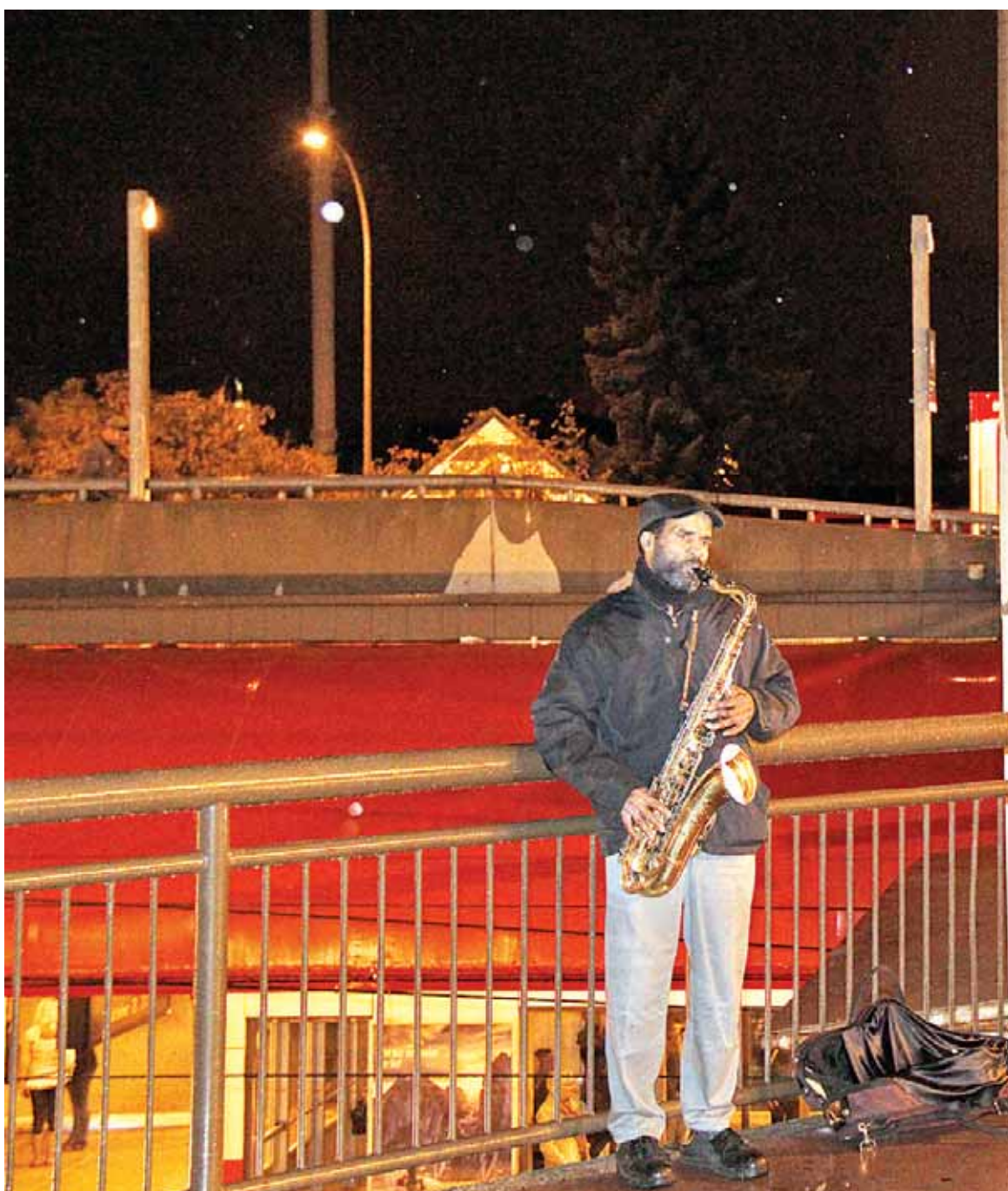
Calgary Transit transports approximately 1,500-3,000 riders to Flames games on average, according to spokesperson Ron Collins. They add two extra CTrain trips to the Saddledome and three additional trips leaving the Saddledome after the game. Due to the costs of adding drivers and fare collectors in the stations, Collins said Flames games are usually revenue-neutral for Calgary Transit. **METRO**

2 Stampede Park parking. \$20K

Stampede Park will take a hit to their revenue with the Calgary Flames on hiatus. Calgary Stampede spokesperson Doug Fraser said, while they have other games and concerts taking place at the Saddledome, they will notice a loss from the lack of NHL play. Fraser said they usually generate around \$20,000 per game. **METRO**

3 Taxis. \$50

Rajiv Kapil with the Calgary Cab Drivers Association said drivers working Flames games will typically bring in up to \$50 profit over and above a typical night's haul. He said some drivers rely on hockey crowds to help pay bills and make up for slower business on other nights. **METRO**



Sax Livingstone plays his saxophone after a recent concert at the Saddledome. The busker says he hopes an NHL lockout is averted so he can keep sharing music with the Calgary

LOCKOUT BLUES

Silenced. Longtime Calgary saxophonist says fortune of the little guys is lost in NHL skirmish



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The irony's not lost one bit on Sax Livingstone.

While NHL players and owners argue over millions in league revenues, the proud busker just wants the chance to set up shop outside the Sad-

dledome and earn some pocket change with the help of his trusty saxophone.

"Longevity has made me in an unofficial way, a fixture ... with the fans and the people I have influenced in the chaos of leaving (the Saddledome)," he says during a recent interview at a local diner just after delighting crowds coming out of a concert.

"What I offer is light-hearted and refreshing." Warming his weary hands on a cup filled with an unorthodox beverage of microwave-heated orange juice and cinnamon, Livingstone keeps his cards

close to his chest.

He's licensed to perform on the platform leading down to Victoria Park LRT station and Macleod Trail and has done so in the rain, snow and sunshine since 2000.

He dodges questions about just how much change gets dropped in his open case over the course of 41 Flames home games, claiming he's more focused on bonding over music with the Calgary Flames faithful.

However, with no end to the NHL lockout in sight, Livingstone said he will be forced to look elsewhere for

chances to play.

The soft-spoken musician does run his own business on the side, but prefers using his music to earn a living, even if it means frequently ducking into the LRT station to dry his snow-covered instrument and dealing with the ebb and flow of any given Flames season — fans, after all, do tend to tip less if the home team loses, he says.

With all of the challenges Livingstone faces to pull off his one-man show, the saxophonist takes little pity on the NHL athletes.

"You're going to make \$4 million and whine about



Flames faithful. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

FOR BUSKERS

it?" he said. "This (lockout) is really hurting the spirit of the community."

The legend of Sax extends well beyond Saddledome regulars. His upbeat tune can be heard blocks from the stadium and even infrequent visitors to the venue need little description to know exactly which busker a curious reporter is referring to.

"I don't know him personally, but I have seen him play many times," said local resident Mark Walt.

Walt has a cousin who's now missing out on part-time work serving up hotdogs at

the arena and understands the struggle Livingstone faces.

"This (lockout) is hurting more than just the fat cats," he said. "The CEOs, owners and players are making big dollars and then there are these guys with mortgages to pay and kids to feed."

Livingstone, meanwhile, is trying to remain optimistic and still plans to play outside concerts and small sporting events.

Still, he says nothing can compare to the atmosphere after a big Flames game.

"I would keep doing this even if I had the best job in the world," he said.

Susceptible to robbery

Not all's cheery on the busker trail for Livingstone

Sax Livingstone said he's learned to keep a low-profile after three attempted robberies and a number of violent confrontations during his performances outside the Saddledome.

In the worst instance, he said a passerby threatened him with a knife over 35 cents.

"I took my horn, held it up and said 'Are you (expletive) crazy?'" Livingstone said.

"I will never run without my case and I won't let them push me around because then word will get around. I got control of that situation."

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Pinched. Charities take hit with no NHL tickets



Youth take in a Hitmen game through tickets provided by Kids Up Front. FACEBOOK

Calgary charities who usually reap the rewards of Flames games are hoping the puck drops sooner rather than later.

Every year, thousands of Calgary Flames tickets are donated to Kids Up Front — an organization that provides live game experiences for less fortunate or at-risk youth.

"The Calgary community is super generous and give us a lot of tickets so the kids can go out, but we would have typically received a lot of Flames tickets," said executive director Kari Scarlett.

She said while there are no Flames games, they have been flooded with Calgary Hitmen tickets and have more than 100 kids attending games this weekend.

"While our numbers aren't exactly the same, we're very happy to be supporting our

junior team," she said. "We certainly hope the (NHL) season starts as soon as possible."

Local groups would have also begun pounding the 'Dome pavement selling 50/50 tickets this weekend, but now both charities and fans are missing out on the profits.

"It's just a circumstance of the work stoppage. We have 45 games a year that we see benefits from fundraising, but we're moving forward with everything else we do," said Candice Goudie, executive director of the Calgary Flames Foundation for Life.

Goudie said that depending on which team the Flames are playing, 50/50 sales can generate between \$30,000 to \$40,000 — half of which goes to the winner and the other half to the foundation.

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Lockout's silver lining

And the winners are ... other groups

The NHL lockout is already having a negative financial affect on some groups, but there could be a silver lining for local arts organizations and other sports teams.

"We did see a slight increase in attendance of about 10 to 15 per cent during the 2004/05 lockout," says Ben Matchett, assistant athletic director of the University of Calgary's Dinos hockey club.

"We haven't seen much this year, but we've only had one home game. It will take a few months before we start to really get into the traditional hockey season and people start missing the NHL ... And if the lockout continues we'll be doing as much as we can to get ourselves out there and let people know there is still good hockey being played in the city."

Marylou Bennetts, director of marketing and sales for The Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra, says while the CPO would like to see the Flames back on the ice as soon as possible, the arts group will try to entice hockey fans looking for something else to do should the lockout drag on.

The CPO launched a successful campaign targeted at disgruntled Flames fans during the 2004/05 lockout, and ended up with a \$35,000 surplus.

"It doesn't sound like much," says Bennetts. "But for a symphony to be in the black was something we're very proud of."

Theatre Calgary also noticed an increase of single ticket sales during the lockout eight years ago.

"We're not going to get people buying a full season subscription," says Theatre Calgary director of communications, Christopher Loach. "But we'll probably see people getting tickets for single shows." LISA WILTON/METRO

Other things to do

- Calgary Hitmen
- Calgary Stampede
- Calgary Roughnecks
- Over 40+ theatre companies
- Live music venues
- Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra

Expenses. Wildrose claims new transparency policy exceeds Tories'

On the heels of the province's expense-transparency efforts, the official Opposition followed suit with a plan they say exceeds that of the government.

According to a release from opposition leader Danielle Smith, categorized expenses from her office dating back to May will be posted online, and the rest of the party will do the same starting in November.

Along with MLA expenses, the Wildrose release states the party will also post monthly caucus office expenses, along with receipts.

"This government shouldn't be lecturing anybody about how tough their expense policy is, especially

Expense improvements

- Wildrose MLAs to post constituency office expenses along with individual expenses
- Expenses to be broken down into specific categories, along with receipts
- Wildrose caucus expenses to be disclosed

when they only came out with it after a series of expense scandals that only further exposed their culture of entitlement," Smith said. **METRO**

Bowmont Park

Learn about pet cleanup

Users of Calgary's Bowmont Park are invited to learn about why they need to pick up after their pooch this weekend.

The city's P.U.P.P.Y.

(Pick Up Your Pooch's Poo Yourself) program offers a little bit of background into the importance of picking up pet waste, and the effect it has on the park space and the surrounding ecosystem.

The event takes place at the Bowmont Park 85th Street N.W. entrance Oct. 13 from 1 to 4 p.m. **METRO**

BATTLE OVER BOTTLES BREWING IN BELTLINE



IN DEFENCE OF
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There's a battle brewing in the city's beltline. 6th and Tenth Condos is the new \$100-million condo development that's being built right beside the very popular Uptown Bottle Depot.

With construction about to start, the Toronto-based company Lamb Developments has begun talking to media about its desire to get rid of the bottle depot, going as far as telling potential condo buyers that the depot won't be there for long. Of course it's annoying to hear that a Toronto-based company thinks they know what is best for our downtown core, but even more annoying is the realization that people would care that much about living beside a bottle depot.

Let's get right to the point: The main reason that bottle depots exists downtown is because, as a city, we are terrible at recycling.



Hundreds of Calgarians hunt for bottles to make some quick cash.

GETTY IMAGES FILE

Instead of disposing of our recyclables properly, we throw them out without a second thought. And then we cringe and moan when we see hundreds of Calgarians scrounging through garbage cans, dumpsters and alleys, looking to make some quick, but not easy money, by finding our bottles.

This is not an attempt to seem preachy about the

city's impoverished, more a baffled observation about how some companies and potential homebuyers would consider themselves too important to live beside something as simple as a bottle depot. Sadly, if the 6th and Tenth condo development somehow manages to close the Uptown Bottle Depot, it will mean that the next nearest Bottle Depot would be more than an hour's walk away.

Are all the people who are returning the bottles going to use the money towards their rent or groceries? Probably not. But quite frankly, I don't really care what people are doing with the money that they've earned by digging through our refuse, gutters and parking lots. If they want to buy cigarettes

or a pint of vodka, so be it. If we don't like it, then we can easily do something about it, by recycling.

Let's pretend that the bank made a mistake and confused my overdraft for actual money and I bought a place in this building — I really wouldn't care if there were a bottle depot right next door. Actually, as someone who currently lives in a building with a deplorable recycling program, I would welcome the ability to dispose of my bottles across the street. And what would people like there instead? The last thing that area needs is another coffee shop or chic furniture store.

If you don't want to live beside a bottle depot, I think that says more about you, than the people who use it.

Not in my backyard

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Laying the groundwork. Borrow from reserves to fast-track southeast LRT: Alderman Keating

Instead of waiting idly for provincial funding, Ald. Shane Keating wants the city to borrow \$12 million from its reserves as "bridge financing" and start laying the groundwork for a southeast LRT.

Council will vote Monday on Keating's idea, which would direct city staff to look at using money from Calgary's "Reserve for Future Capital" fund to pay for two studies relating to the southeast transit route, which is to eventually include an LRT line.

Keating expects the funding for the studies will be forthcoming from the provincial government's Green Transit Incentives Program, or Green TRIP.

"Other areas in the region have got their Green TRIP funds," he said. "Ours is sitting there."

If the move were to speed up the construction of a southeast LRT at all, McKenzie Towne resident Doug Hayden is all for it.

"In my opinion they couldn't build that LRT fast enough," he said, adding that

'Bridge financing'

- **Available funds.** The Reserve for Future Capital fund sits at \$255 million, according to the city.
- **Up for grabs.** Only \$57 million of that money is not allocated, however, below the city's target threshold of \$72 million.

traffic congestion in the area is already "ludicrous" and only going to get worse as the region continues to develop rapidly.

Calgary has never before undertaken bridge financing in anticipation of grants without a formal grant commitment in place, according to Rick Masters, a manager with the city's corporate budget office. **ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO**

For updates on the southeast LRT, and more local news, visit metronews.ca.



Over capacity. City homeless organizations hit hard by cold weather

As the snow arrives in Calgary even more pressure is placed on local homeless shelters to shield those down on their luck from the cold.

Homeless organization, The Mustard Seed, has even looked to social media to aid in their endeavour as they ask the public's assistance in providing coats, mitts, hats and boots for their guests this winter.

Despite the city's 10-year plan to end homelessness, organizations such as In From The Cold have been operating at or over capacity for most of the year — a resounding 245

days since January, up from 159 days in 2011.

"We are seeing a lot more families seeking help this year than we've ever seen before," said In From The Cold communications manager Bonnie Elgie.

While donations in any form are appreciated, Elgie emphasized that winter clothing donations are especially coveted this time of year as organizations lack the inventory to set up their guests — ranging from infants to adults — with cold-weather gear.

CELESTE DE MUELENAERE/FOR METRO



Organizations such as the Mustard Seed are facing even more pressure to provide warm clothing for the homeless during the winter. **CELESTE DE MUELENAERE/FOR METRO**

Congestion survey

Calgary middle of the pack in TomTom traffic survey

Calgary ranks 16th in a North American list of cities with the worst traffic delays.

The traffic congestion survey from GPS firm TomTom tallied 26 cities across North America, and Cowtown ranked well below Vancouver, Montreal and Toronto — each of which was in the top five for worst congestion.

Edmonton ranked 25th in worst traffic delays and showed the biggest drop in congestion-related delays, dropping seven per cent from the previous quarter.

Los Angeles had the worst congestion, followed by Vancouver. **METRO**

Cross-province meetings

Last budget consultation to be held Saturday

The last stop in the government provincial tour on the province's finances ends in Edmonton on Saturday.

Finance Minister Doug Horner said the meetings

across the province so far have led to some pretty clear directions, with education, health and fiscal prudence high on Albertans' priority lists.

"Albertans are a lot more fiscally astute than people give them credit for. They understand what it means to build for the future because they do this in their homes."

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO IN EDMONTON

Annual credit

Council to vote on free parking for veterans

Veterans will be entitled to two free hours of parking a month starting in 2013, if Ald. Shane Keating gets his way.

The Ward 12 alderman will put forward a motion at Monday's council meeting to grant vehicles with veteran plates a \$120 annual parking credit.

"It's a very simple gesture, a thank you for what they've done," Keating said.

After consulting with the Calgary Parking Authority, Keating said the change would be simple to implement and could be done by Jan. 1. **ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO**



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Donations

Breast-milk depot open in Edmonton

An Edmonton hospital is accepting donations of human breast milk to help premature babies.

Bottles of milk will be kept in a freezer at the Grey Nuns Community Hospital before they're shipped to Calgary for pasteurization at the Mothers' Milk Bank.

The bank's executive director, Jannette Festival, says the Edmonton depot makes

it easier for women in northern Alberta to donate and it saves on courier costs. She says the non-profit bank has approved 70 donors since it opened in April and another 90 women are applying.

Women who want to donate their milk must first be screened and get their blood tested.

Hospitals get the milk for tiny babies whose mothers are unable to breast feed since studies show milk is better than formula at fighting disease and infection.

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Civic partners celebrate needed funding at the zoo

Council. Mayor Nenshi, aldermen voted to allocate funding last year



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New signage, pathways and sprucing up of the hippo tank were among the long list of items funded through a new city grant program.

City staff celebrated the success of the Civic Partner Grant Program Thursday at the Calgary Zoo, highlighting some of the life-cycle maintenance completed through the funds.

Last summer council created the community investment fund, which will invest \$252 million over a four-year period into the construction of facilities like libraries and recreation centres.

A total of \$17.1 million was allocated towards the Civic Partner Grant Program.

Calgary Zoo president and CEO Clement Lanthier said the funding is critical.

"The life-cycle maintenance program for many civic partners had been neglected for many years," he said. "We have seen some of our infrastructure aging prematurely. With this program, we've been able to fix some roofs, repair some doors, change some windows."

Community services and protective services general

manager Erika Hargesheimer said the list of life-cycle maintenance has been growing for more than six years.

She added that investing in updates that make a facility more energy-efficient, such as replacing the light standards at the Calgary Zoo, will likely lead to cost savings.

"It will actually have a positive spinoff on the operating costs of running some of these facilities."

In 2012 the zoo, Heritage Park, the Epcor Centre, Telus Convention Centre, Fort Calgary and the Talisman Centre received a total of \$5.326 million.

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Darryl Dziadyk, director of facilities and horticulture at the Calgary Zoo, poses beside the hippo pool that was updated thanks to a new city grant.
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WordFest kicked off this week with more than 70 authors taking part in events in Calgary and Banff. The annual literary festival runs until Oct. 14. Here are five books by local authors worth checking out.

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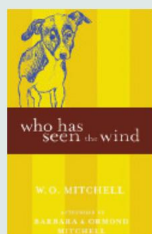
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W.O. Mitchell – Who Has Seen the Wind

Dubbed the Mark Twain of Canadian literature, the late W.O. Mitchell had an extraordinary way of describing the Prairies on which he was raised.

Who Has Seen the Wind is an intriguing and colourful look at a small Prairie town in the 1930s, and is largely considered Mitchell's finest work.



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local yarn-spinners

Laurie Lyons – Feather



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Lyons' recently released first novel tells the story of Lucy, a woman with a photographic memory, and Nathaniel, a literal fallen angel and their fight to stay together against all odds.

The book was published through Seattle's Ring of Fire and is available on Kindle.

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Suzette Mayr – Monoceros

This year's recipient of the W.O. Mitchell Book Prize, Monoceros, is a moving yet sharply humorous look at the aftermath of the suicide of a gay teenager.

The story examines the effect this tragedy has on those just outside the teen's immediate circle — classmates, teachers and school administrators — with thoughtful wit and empathy.

2

Will Ferguson – 419

Known more for his travel memoirs and humorous essays, Ferguson does a 180 into the dark underbelly of Nigerian email scams.

A woman's search for the truth behind her elderly father's road death takes her across two continents and into the dangerous world of organized crime.

Ferguson's critically acclaimed novel is one of five Canadian books nominated for this year's Scotiabank Giller Prize.



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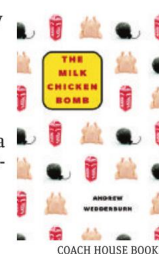
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Andrew Wedderburn – The Milk Chicken Bomb

A 10-year-old boy tries to make sense of his surroundings and the apparent insanity of

adulthood while growing up in a small Alberta town. Writer/musician Wedderburn's charming 2007 debut received a long-list nomination for the prestigious \$100,000 IMPAC award and was shortlisted for Amazon.ca's First Novel Award.



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Ainsley Hutton, 6, is among those lucky enough to have gotten tickets for Justin Bieber's sold-out concert on Friday night at the Saddledome. LISA WILTON/METRO

Calgary parents get caught up in Bieber Fever

Pop sensation. Teen heartthrob's performance Friday night has fans, and their parents, buzzing

Ainsley Hutton's eyes light up as soon as Justin Bieber's name is mentioned.

"I like the way he sings," says the six-year-old girl, shyly trying to explain the appeal of the Canadian pop sensation, who performs Friday night at the Scotiabank Saddledome.

Though Ainsley can't fully express the reasons behind her Bieber Fever, her mother Kim Hutton knows exactly what her daughter is going through.

"I was a huge New Kids on the Block fan," admits Hut-

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"She's asked for the whole (Justin Bieber) bedding set, but I don't want to go that far."

Kim Hutton, mother of six-year-old Ainsley

ton with a laugh.

"My bedroom walls were plastered with New Kids on the Block. I would buy every magazine that had them in it."

Ainsley's bedroom isn't exactly a shrine to the 19-year-old star, but a large Bieber poster takes pride of place above her bed and she sleeps every night covered in a Bieber-brand blanket.

"She's asked for the whole bedding set, but I don't want to go that far," says Hutton. "A couple T-

shirts and posters on her wall are OK. I'm sure it's going to get worse as she gets older. But for now, I think it's pretty harmless."

Regan Kuemper also doesn't see anything wrong with his seven-year-old daughter Amaya's Bieber crush.

In fact, the Calgary sound engineer — whose own childhood idol was clown-faced Twisted Sister singer Dee Snider — dropped \$100 on a Bieber Fever Fan Club membership so he could buy pre-sale tickets for Friday's now sold-out concert.

"I do think there is a talent there," says Kuemper.

"It's not my style of music, but I can tolerate it. It's in the same vein as Michael Jackson, if not quite the same scale."

LISA WILTON/METRO

Past visits

Five boy bands that have played Calgary:

- **Herman's Hermits, Stampede Corral, July 13, 1967.** Herman's Hermits singer Peter Noone was one of the big heartthrobs of the 1960s. His pre-Bieber blond, shaggy hair and "exotic" Manchester accent made many a teenage girl swoon. The band played two shows at the Corral, kicking off its North American tour. Support acts for the concert were garage rockers Blues Magoos and a scrappy little combo called The Who.
- **The Osmonds, Stampede Corral, Aug. 29, 1980.** They sang, they danced, they blinded the audience with their gleaming white smiles. The Osmonds Corral show in the summer of 1980 was a family-friendly affair, but you can bet there were a handful of waifish beauties standing near stage, batting their lashes at bell-bottomed hunk Donny Osmond.
- **Duran Duran, Saddledome, Jan. 30, 1984.** The Birmingham, England,



Duran Duran CONTRIBUTED

five-piece was at the height of its popularity when it roared through town during the Sing Blue Silver Tour. Though not a traditional boy band — the members of Duran Duran played their own instruments and wrote their own songs (and if you're familiar with their lyrics, that wasn't always a good thing) — the group had a massive young female following. It cost \$14 to hear singer Simon Le Bon howl out such hits as Rio, The Reflex and Union of the Snake.

- **New Kids on the Block, Saddledome, Oct. 31 and Nov. 2, 1990.** Not to make you feel old, but, yes, it has in fact been 22 years since New Kids on the Block first performed in Calgary. Both shows were sold out, or at least close to capacity, and the city

was gripped by NKOTB mania.

- **Backstreet Boys, Saddledome, Aug. 17, 1998.** The vocal power of 14,000 screaming girls can not be underestimated. When '90s uber-boy-band Backstreet Boys hit the Saddledome stage, the foundations shook. The NKOTBSB tour last year proved their grown female fans still have the pipes.



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Hong Kong. Woman dies after blood-transfusion beauty treatment

Hong Kong authorities said one woman has died and three others have been hospitalized after a beauty treatment involving blood transfusions.

Hong Kong's Hospital Authority said a 46-year-old woman died Wednesday of septic shock after receiving the treatment at a beauty clinic. The treatment is being tested as a method to fight cancer but in this case it was used for cosmetic purposes.

The case has raised concerns about potentially risky medical treatments at the city's numerous clinics offering procedures that claim to enhance a person's appearance.

Health Secretary Ko Wing-man promised Thursday to review regulations governing the clinics and other private medical facilities. Ko said the review would look at putting private clinics that carry out "high-risk medical treatments or procedures under regulatory control."

Health authorities are investigating whether a registered doctor carried out the treatment and whether the procedure was certified by Hong Kong's Medical Council.

The procedure

- **Injection.** The procedure, known as DC-CIK, involves the "concentration and processing" of blood by a lab before it is re-injected into the person it was drawn from, the government said.

The four also tested positive for a rare superbug called mycobacterium abscessus, which is extremely resistant to antibiotics.

The three women in hospital are a 64-year-old in critical condition, a 56-year-old in serious condition and a 59-year old in stable condition.

They were among 44 people who underwent the treatment at the DR Beauty chain of clinics. The treatment costs at least \$6,320, according to local news reports.

Police and health officials are investigating how the blood was contaminated and the relationship between the beauty clinic, the treatment lab and the medical practitioner who carried out the procedure. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Cops dance to Gangnam Style

Police officers dance to South Korean rapper PSY's Gangnam Style dance on Thursday in the grandstand ahead of practice for the Korean Formula One Grand Prix in Yeongam, South Korea.

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Gruesome. Mom who glued daughter's hands to wall faces sentencing

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"I want everybody to know I'm not a monster."

Elizabeth Escalona

A Dallas mother who admitted to beating her two-year-old daughter and gluing the child's hands faces anything from probation to a life in prison for her crimes.

Elizabeth Escalona's sentencing hearing continued Thursday, a day after she pleaded for leniency, saying she was no longer the "monster" who committed the attack.

"I will never forgive myself for what I did to my own daughter," said Escalona, who pleaded guilty in July to felony injury to a child.

Police say Escalona lost her temper last year with Jocelyn Cedillo over potty training problems. Escalona beat and kicked Jocelyn before sticking her hands to an apartment wall using an adhesive commonly known as Super Glue. The child was hospitalized for days.

Judge Larry Mitchell has a wide range in choosing Escalona's sentence: Anything from probation to life in prison is possible. Prosecutors are asking for a 45-year sentence.

Defence attorney Angie N'Duka asked Escalona what she thought of photos that prosecutors presented earlier this week showing her daughter's injuries.

"Only a monster does that," Escalona responded.

N'Duka then asked Escalona whether she thought she was a monster. "When that happened, I was," Escalona replied.

Escalona asked Mitchell for an opportunity to show she had changed, adding that she would accept any sentence as fair.

"I want everybody to know I'm not a monster," Escalona said. "I love my kids."

Escalona admitted to hitting and kicking her daughter but said she didn't recall why she did it.

Prosecutors have portrayed Escalona as an unfit mother

with a history of violence. They have played recordings in which Escalona as a teenager threatened to kill her mother. They said she was a former gang member who started smoking marijuana at age 11.

Jocelyn suffered bleeding in her brain, a fractured rib, multiple bruises and bite marks, and was in a coma for a couple of days. Some skin had been torn off her hands, where doctors also found glue residue and white paint chips from the apartment wall, witnesses testified.

Escalona's family has acknowledged their dismay and anger following the attack, but both her mother and sister asked the judge for leniency.

"I wanted an explanation," said Margaret Escalona, her sister. "I wanted to know what happened. I wanted to beat my sister up."

Ofelia Escalona, Elizabeth's mother, said her daughter hit her as a child, but she also said Elizabeth was abused growing up. Both Ofelia and Margaret Escalona argued that Elizabeth needed more help and not prison.

"Her being taken away won't help any," Margaret Escalona said.

Counselor Melanie Davis testified Wednesday that she believes from the conversations she has had with Elizabeth Escalona that the mother loves her five children, one of whom was born after the attack. Davis said she has been counselling Escalona since June, nine months after her arrest. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Dozens displaced

Squirrel-cooking causes fire: Officials

Authorities say a blaze that displaced dozens of people from a Michigan apartment complex may have been sparked by a resident trying to cook a squirrel with a propane torch on Wednesday.

Eight apartments were destroyed and others damaged, according to the Holland Township, Mich., Fire Chief Jim Kohsel.

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Toews says naval-spy scandal hasn't hurt Canada's reputation

Working with allies.

The ease with which Delisle passed secrets to the Russians has prompted a review of security measures

The federal public safety minister says Canada remains tight with its intelligence allies despite a naval-spy scandal that is said to have done "irreparable damage" to the country's interests.

Vic Toews said Thursday he doesn't believe Canada's reputation with its closest collaborators has been hurt at all by navy Sub-Lt. Jeffery Paul Delisle's actions. Toews noted he continues to work closely with Janet Napolitano, the U.S. Homeland Security secretary, and Eric Holder, the U.S. attorney general.

"They have never expressed anything other than a commitment to working with us in the future," Toews said

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"Delisle's unauthorized disclosure to the Russians since 2007 has caused severe and irreparable damage to Canadian interests"

Public Safety Minister Vic Toews

at a Calgary news conference. "This has certainly not in any way hampered our very robust exchange of information."

Delisle, a 41-year-old intelligence officer with the Royal Canadian Navy, pleaded guilty Wednesday to passing military secrets to Russia. He transferred sensitive information onto a thumb drive from a secure location before passing it to a Russian operative.

How that could happen so easily at a highly protected facility has prompted a review of security measures that were in place at the time, Toews said.

"That's something I believe that the Department of



Sub-Lt. Jeffery Paul Delisle arrives at court for his hearing in Halifax on Wednesday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

National Defence is doing. We are very aware of the case and together with our allies are reviewing the procedures that were in place to protect the security of that information," said Toews.

"Given the extensive sharing of information that occurs between the Five Eyes community — Great Britain, Canada, the United States, New Zealand and Australia — our agencies are always concerned

when there is any compromise of security and we work very closely together."

Toews wouldn't get into the specifics and would not comment on Delisle's guilty plea. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

American urging

Preventing further leaks to China

Vic Toews said the government is also aware that the head of the U.S. Intelligence Committee is urging Canadian companies not to do business with the Chinese telecommunications giant Huawei as a matter of national security.

A U.S. report earlier this week urged companies to avoid doing business with Huawei and ZTE and said regulators should prevent them from buying U.S. companies. It also said government computer systems should not include components from them because they might pose an espionage risk.

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Judges speak out on Pussy Riot decision

The Russian judges who ruled to keep two of the three Pussy Riot band members behind bars took the unusual step of publicly defending their decision, saying Thursday that it was made independently and without pressure.

A panel of three judges at the Moscow City Court on Wednesday upheld a lower-court ruling to send Nadezhda Tolokonnikova and Maria Alekhina to prison for two years, but they released Yekaterina Samutsevich after giving her a suspended sentence.

Pussy Riot staged an impromptu performance at Moscow's main cathedral in February in protest against President Vladimir Putin and the Russian Orthodox Church hierarchy for openly supporting his rule. The three women were convicted of hooliganism motivated by religious hatred, but they insist that their protest was political in nature and not an attack on religion.

The case has caused controversy in Russia and been widely condemned in the West, which may have prompted the judges to



Judge Larisa Polyakova speaks with the media in Moscow Thursday. SERGEY PONOMAREV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

speak out.

The presiding judge said the appeals court deemed it necessary for Tolokonnikova and Alekhina to remain incarcerated.

"The court has considered all the circumstances of the case and the level of danger to society and ruled that their correction is possible only in isolation from society," judge Larisa Polyakova said.

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At a glance

A brief look at the three Pussy Riot members involved in the decision:

- **Nadezhda Tolokonnikova**, 22, is a philosophy student at Moscow State University, and a member of Voyna, a performance-art group. Her husband, Pyotr Verzilov, is a dual Russian-Canadian citizen and she is eligible for residency in Canada. She has a four-year-old daughter.
- **Yekaterina Samutsevich**, 30, is a computer programmer who helped develop a nuclear attack submarine for Russia's navy. She was arrested in 2010 for releasing cockroaches in a Moscow courthouse.
- **Maria Alekhina**, 24, is a student at the Institute of Journalism and Creative Writing in Moscow who also volunteers at Moscow's Children's Psychiatric Hospital. She has a five-year-old son.

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Man set on fire, another shot in labour unrest



A burned-out minibus taxi near the Amplats mine in Rustenburg, South Africa, on Thursday. Striking miners vowed to make the platinum mines ungovernable.

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South Africa. Violence has escalated at platinum mine since 12,000 striking workers were fired last week

Striking miners killed one man by setting him on fire Thursday while another was fatally shot, apparently by police, in rekindled labour unrest in South Africa that saw police firing tear gas and rubber bullets.

The violence near an Anglo American Platinum (Amplats) mine has escalated since the company dismissed 12,000 striking miners on Friday. Dozens have been killed in

violence in other strikes in South Africa since August.

One person died Thursday in a hospital after being hit by two rubber bullets likely fired by police trying to disperse striking miners, said Gaddafi Mdoda, a leader of the striking Amplats mineworkers. Another person died from wounds after being set alight by striking workers, North West police spokesman Brig. Thulani Ngubane said.

"The situation remains tense," Ngubane said.

Police Capt. Dennis Adriaio said 40 people have been arrested in violence at the Nkaneng informal settlement near Rustenburg.

The mineworkers have vowed to make the mines

ungovernable and to make it impossible for the world's top platinum producer to hire new workers if their wage demands are not met. Evans Ramokga, a strike leader, said last week that the company would hire new workers only "over our dead bodies."

Police apparently were responding to the miners' attempt to stop operations at Amplats' Bathopele mine on Thursday, according to the South African Press Association, which reported that two taxis were set on fire. Amplats' operations in the platinum belt northwest of Johannesburg have been brought to a standstill since most of its workers went on strike last month. Amplats calls the strike illegal. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

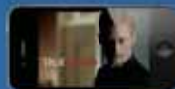
Wildcat strike

South Africa has been under the grip of labour unrest since August, when platinum miners in Marikana staged a wildcat strike demanding higher pay.

- Police shot and killed 34 striking miners and wounded scores more. That strike ended with a hefty pay raise for the workers and inspired copycat strikes that have since spread to gold and iron ore mines as well as the trucking industry.

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Qur'an-burning pastor denied entry into Canada

Turned back at the border. Anti-Muslim American was slated to debate at a free-speech rally

An anti-Muslim American pastor who earned an international reputation after burning copies of the Islamic holy text has been denied entry into Canada hours before he was to speak at a free-speech rally in Toronto, organizers said Thursday.

Allan Einstoss said Terry Jones was turned back at the Michigan-Ontario border after being held there for several hours.

Einstoss decried the decision to keep Jones from attending a multi-faith debate on freedom of speech, which was slated to take place in front of the Ontario legislature on Thursday evening.

He poured scorn on the official reason for the denial, saying it defied logic.

"In terms of checking for

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"That's the government's choice, that's what they wanted. We could have had a nice civil evening, but that's their decision."

Allan Einstoss, an organizer of a free-speech rally, on American pastor James Jones being denied entry into Canada

criminal records, I would make the assumption that's what they do on a daily basis," Einstoss said in a telephone interview.

Jones issued a statement Thursday night expressing "shock" at being refused entry. "We consider this to be a grievous blow to freedom of speech. We hope that this is a lesson for the Canadians and the Americans for us to stand up, unite together, and protect our freedom of speech," the statement said.

According to Jones's statement, the rental car he was

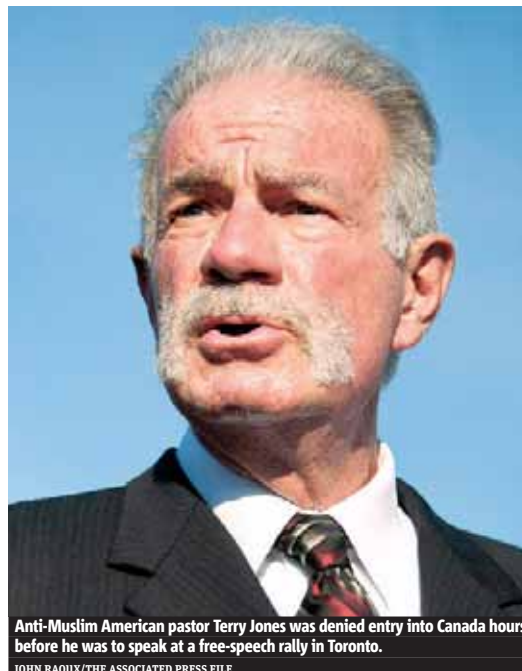
travelling in was thoroughly searched and protest placards were confiscated.

The statement said Jones and a travelling companion were refused entry based on an arrest in Michigan last year for refusing to pay a peace bond as well as a fine by the German government for using the title "doctor" based on an honorary doctorate he received from a California university in 1993. Jones said he appealed both disputes and won but the statement indicated that border officials told him they needed more documentation in order to allow him to enter.

The Canada Border Services Agency declined to discuss Jones's case, saying it was against their policy to share details of any individual efforts to enter the country.

"Admissibility of all travellers seeking to enter Canada is considered on a case-by-case basis based on the specific facts presented by the applicant at the time of entry," the agency said in a statement.

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Anti-Muslim American pastor Terry Jones was denied entry into Canada hours before he was to speak at a free-speech rally in Toronto.

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The response

Event to go on without Jones

Terry Jones was scheduled to be the primary attraction at a multi-faith debate on the film *Innocence of Muslims*, whose negative portrayal of the Islamic prophet Muhammad has incited violent riots around the world. One skirmish claimed the life of the U.S. ambassador to Libya, along with three members of his staff.

Jones was slated to square off against Toronto imam Steve Rockwell, U.S.-based Muslim author Masud Ansari and Sikh community leader Bikram Lamba. The event was also to feature a memorial to Cpl. Christopher Speer, a U.S. medic killed in Afghanistan by Canadian war criminal Omar Khadr.

Einstoss said the event will go ahead as planned, but lamented Jones' absence from the proceedings. Interference from border officials, he said, has quashed an opportunity for a meaningful dialogue on free speech.

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Rick Rypien's memorial at Rogers Arena was vandalized Wednesday night. KATE WEBB/METRO IN VANCOUVER

Bieber fans deface memorial

Some Justin Bieber fans defaced the memorial wall at Vancouver's Rogers Arena Wednesday night where Canucks fans have been paying tribute to Rick Rypien since his suicide just over a year ago.

One Rypien fan was up early the next morning to try to scrub the messages off with nail polish, but the messages to "J.B." were stubborn and by mid-morning the bottle was abandoned there, nearly full.

Fans of the late hockey forward, who suffered from

clinical depression, took to Twitter to denounce the acts of vandalism.

"Oh man I don't like to call people stupid but how do you write about a Justin Bieber concert on Rick Rypien's memorial? Insanity," wrote Wyatt Arndt.

One Bieber fan apparently signed her name on the wall, and after a photo of the signature circulated online someone sent the girl a tweet telling her to jump off a bridge.

Another Twitter user, Alexandra Ransford, was hit by a backlash for calling the

Bieber fan who signed the wall a b—h.

"So after being depressed for 5 years I'm being bullied for being upset about a suicide victims memorial being written on. How pleasant :)" Ransford wrote.

Alexandra, 18, was too upset Thursday to do an interview, but her mother, Ellen Ransford, said she had been crying all morning about the defacement and being accused of "fuelling the fire" by Twitter users who assumed the vandals to be underage.

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Prison baby. Outcry follows jail-cell birth

The Elizabeth Fry Society is calling for a public inquiry into health-care services provided to inmates after a woman gave birth in an Ottawa jail cell without the help of a doctor.

The group's director, Bryonie Baxter, says a systemic review of the prison system is needed to begin changing a culture that sees inmates treated as less than human.

Julie Bilotta, a 26-year-old woman from Cornwall, Ont., gave birth to a boy Sept. 29 on the floor of a cell at the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre.

Baxter says Bilotta's screams for help while she was going into labour were

Pregnant inmates

Madeleine Meilleur, Ontario's minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, says the incident is being investigated

- The minister adds that pregnant inmates should expect to receive the same level of care as women in the general population.

ignored for hours and paramedics were only called after a baby's foot was seen coming out of the woman in a breech birth.

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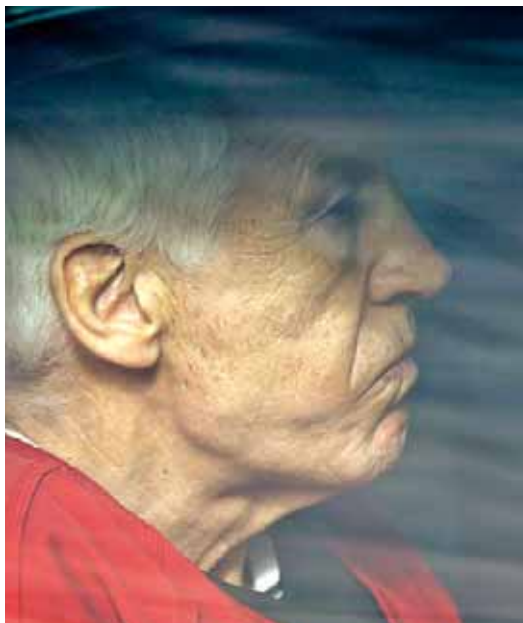
A restaurant chain has apologized for accidentally serving alcohol to a toddler in Wales, calling it a case of human error.

The BBC reported that two-year-old Sonny Rees was taken to a hospital emer-

gency room after drinking whisky at his second birthday party at a Frankie and Benny's restaurant in Swansea.

His mother said he was clearly intoxicated. She said she tasted his drink after noticing that he was making a funny face. At the hospital, the staff monitored his vital signs and later gave him the all-clear. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sandusky's wife claimed their son was off his meds



Former Penn State University assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky is driven from the Centre County Courthouse after being sentenced in Bellefonte, Pa., Tuesday. Sandusky was ordered to serve at least 30 years in prison, effectively a life sentence, in the child-sexual-abuse scandal that brought shame to Penn State and led to coach Joe Paterno's downfall. MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Convicted pedophile.

Former football coach's son was expected to testify for the defence until he told investigators he was molested by his father

Jerry and Dottie Sandusky wrote defiant letters to his judge before sentencing, attacking the motives of his victims, expressing a loss of faith in the judicial system and insisting he isn't a child molester.

Son's lawyer

"Matt is extremely disappointed that they have decided to attack him in what amounts to an effort to divert attention away from Jerry's heinous crimes."

Matt Sandusky's civil lawyer Joel Feller, who also represents at least five other victims or potential claimants

The letters were released Thursday by Judge John Cleveland, two days after he sentenced the former Penn State assistant coach to at least 30 years in prison for 45 counts of child sexual abuse.

Dottie Sandusky wrote July 9 that she never saw her husband do anything inappropriate to any child, a statement that echoed her trial testimony.

She was deeply critical of her son, Matt, who had been expected to be a defence witness until the trial, when he claimed to investigators he also had been abused by Jerry Sandusky.

Matt Sandusky has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder, "but he refuses to take his medication," she wrote. "He has had many run-ins with the law and stolen money and items from our family."

Matt Sandusky's civil lawyer Joel Feller, who also represents at least five other victims, said the letters were part of a failed strategy to blame others for Jerry Sandusky's crimes.

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Montreal cop sidelined after violent exchange

Profanity-laced arrest. Const. 'No. 728' caught in video controversy for the second time this year

A Montreal police constable has been suspended after becoming involved, for a second time, in an aggressive exchange captured on video.

The officer, known as No.

728, in reference to her badge number, has been suspended pending a disciplinary investigation, police chief Marc Parent said on Thursday.

Const. Stefanie Trudeau first made local news earlier this year when video surfaced of her vigorously pepper-spraying a crowd of student protesters who appeared to pose no threat.

This week, new video surfaced of a forceful, profanity-laced arrest during a dispute

that started with a man drinking a beer outdoors. She was also recorded making derogatory comments about artists, among other people.

Parent apologized Thursday on behalf of the force. "These comments are completely unacceptable, intolerable and do not reflect our values," he said.

Trudeau was initially relegated to desk duty after video of the Oct. 2 incident was broadcast by Radio-Canada. It shows a man complaining that

the arrest of his friend is unnecessary. Within seconds, he is put in a headlock, dragged down a flight of stairs while in a chokehold and handcuffed.

One of the cellphones confiscated by the officer then records her subsequent conversation with a superior, apparently without her knowledge.

The recording captures references to "rats" who are "guilt-plucking" artists and who wear red squares, the symbol

of Quebec's student-protest movement. There is also talk about choking a suspect, along with a string of unprintable epithets.

Trudeau is already facing an ethics investigation over the pepper-spray incident during Quebec's springtime protests.

A demonstration against Trudeau is being planned for Friday night in Montreal, where participants will call for her permanent dismissal.

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Police chief Marc Parent apologizes on Thursday in Montreal for the actions of Const. Stefanie Trudeau.

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Feeling a bit sheepish?

A sheep has a little accident on Thursday as it's escorted by a model along Oxford Street in London, England. Four models and their woolly companions came out in support of Wool Week, to encourage people to donate unwanted woollen items to be reused, recycled or resold through Marks and Spencer and Oxfam shops.

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Search for best sheep

Ewe win some, ewe lose some

In a nation where sheep are given names and kept indoors as pets, the most popular TV show in Senegal is Khar Bii, or This Sheep in the local tongue.

The American Idol-style reality show, in its fourth season, is a nationwide search for Senegal's most perfect specimen.

"The Senegalese are really into their sheep," says Fadilou Keita, 28, a contestant who lives with six of them in his Dakar home. The finalists face off this month for a chance to win 2,000,000 francs (\$4,000) and the extra prestige to their breeding credentials.

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More sheep news

Dolly-cloning biologist dies

Keith Campbell, a British biologist who worked on cloning Dolly the sheep, has died at 58.

Campbell began researching animal cloning at the Roslin Institute near Edinburgh in 1991. The experiments led to the birth in 1996 of Dolly, the first mammal to be cloned from an adult cell.

After the birth of Dolly, Campbell oversaw the successful cloning of pigs, lambs and other animals. In 1999, he joined Nottingham University as professor of animal development, where he continued research into the cloning process.

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Red-hot diamond planet discovered

Astronomers have discovered a planet twice the size of Earth made largely out of diamond, which is orbiting a star that is visible with the naked eye.

The rocky planet, called "55 Cancri E," orbits a sun-like star 40 light years away in the constellation of Cancer and is moving so fast that a year there lasts a mere 18 hours.

Discovered by a U.S.-Franco

research team, its radius is twice that of Earth's but it is much more dense with a mass eight times greater. It is also incredibly hot, with temperatures on its surface reaching 1,648 C.

The study estimates that at least a third of the planet's mass, the equivalent of about three Earth masses, could be diamond.

Diamond planets have been spotted before but this is the first time one has been seen orbiting a sun-like star and studied in such detail.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Afghanistan

Seven British marines arrested in murder inquiry

Seven Royal Marines have been arrested on suspicion of murder in relation to an incident in Afghanistan in 2011, Britain's Ministry of Defence said Thursday.

The defence ministry said that the incident followed "an engagement with an insurgent" and that no civilians were involved.

It added that the seven were arrested Thursday by Royal Military Police, but did not name the marines. While the ministry said the marines were not arrested in Afghanistan, it would not specify where the arrests took place.

It is believed to be the first time U.K. servicemen have been arrested on suspicion of murder over events that took place in Afghanistan. Last year, a British soldier was jailed for stabbing an Afghan boy with a bayonet in 2010. The boy survived the incident.

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UN report blasts Iran on mass human rights abuses

Resolution pending. Ahmadinejad regime under fire for stonings, post-election violence and detainment of bloggers, journalists

The UN's human rights expert on Iran is condemning the Islamic Republic's reliance on stoning as a form of capital punishment, citing that as just one of a number of "deeply troubling" Iranian rights violations, many of which are "systemic in nature," according to a report circulating among UN delegations.

Ahmed Shaheed, the Geneva-based UN Human Rights Council's special rapporteur on Iran, also called for an "extensive, impartial and independent investigation into the violence in the weeks and months that followed the presidential election of 2009," when pro-democracy protesters surged into the streets to denounce the election of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as bogus and rigged.

Shaheed also "reiterates his call for the immediate release of all political prisoners," according to the report.

The document will be the basis for an upcoming General Assembly resolution critical of Iran's human rights violations.

Shaheed reported that at least 150 journalists have fled

Iran since the 2009 elections, and some reports put the number as high as 400.

Iran detained more journalists than any other nation last year, according to his report, and to the New-York based rights group Committee to Protect Journalists, which counted 179 writers, editors and photo-journalists jailed in Iran in December 2011.

As the report was being prepared last March, Iran's Foreign Ministry said Shaheed was building it on statements by "terrorists."

Iran does not allow Shaheed entry to the country to conduct his research, and regards his reports as punitive. Shaheed said he followed 124 cases of human rights violations for his report and conducted 99 interviews inside and outside Iran.

Iran is now cracking down on Internet users, with Shaheed reporting that 19 bloggers and Internet commentators are currently detained in the Islamic Republic of Iran with four being sentenced to death in January 2012. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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"Most of them reported they were subject to severe torture during interrogations."

Ahmed Shaheed, of the UN Human Rights Council, describes the treatment of detained human rights protesters



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Special constables search reporters and members of the public as they arrive at the Montreal courthouse Thursday prior to Richard Henry Bain's appearance in court. Bain has been charged with the fatal shooting of Denis Blanchette outside the Metropolis in Montreal on Sept. 4, during the Parti Québécois' election-night rally. GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Accused gunman appears in court with fresh wounds

PQ rally shooting.
'The guard pushed me,' Bain says to his lawyer from defendant's box

The accused gunman from the Parti Québécois election-night rally showed up in court Thursday with a pair of bloody wounds on his head.

Richard Henry Bain stepped into a Montreal courtroom with a pair of fresh scrapes atop his bald scalp — one the size of a loonie, the other as big as a nickel.

"The guard pushed me," Bain told his lawyer from the defendant's box, loud enough

Defence

"(Bain) has two wounds on his head — he was bleeding."

Defence attorney Elfriede Duclervil, who said she would launch an investigation into what caused her client's injuries

for the courtroom to hear.

After the brief appearance, defence attorney Elfriede Duclervil said she would request an investigation into the injuries and seek additional precautions for her client.

"My client is visibly injured," Duclervil said. "He has two wounds on his head — he was bleeding."

Bain's legal-aid attorney

told reporters Thursday that an unauthorized phone interview he gave to a Montreal radio station from his detention centre would be used as evidence.

His next court date was set for Dec. 7.

The fishing-lodge owner faces 16 charges, including first-degree murder, three counts of attempted murder, arson and a number of weapons charges stemming from the Sept. 4 incident where two people were shot and one was killed.

Loved ones of shooting victim Denis Blanchette sat in the front rows of the courtroom, a few metres from Bain. They did not say a word during the proceedings.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

No sex change required to alter gender on birth certificates in Ontario

Ontario has become the first jurisdiction in Canada to allow transgender people to change the gender on their birth certificates without sex-change surgery.

"It's a huge decision. It's a remarkably positive decision. This is an important victory," Susan Gapka, chair of the Trans Lobby Group, told the Torstar News Service on Thursday.

The new rules, published this week, mean a transgender person can apply to ServiceOntario for a new birth certificate with only a letter from a physician or psychologist.

Previously, the Vital Statistics Act required proof of "transsexual surgery."

Ontario was acting on a ruling in April from the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

The commission acted on a complaint brought by a transgender woman known as XY who argued she was exposed to discrimination and violence because the gender she lived with didn't match her docu-

Lobby win

"Ontario is the first jurisdiction to do this in Canada.... This provides a chance for other provinces to do the same."

Susan Gapka, chair of the Trans Lobby Group, on the decision by the Ontario government to allow transgender people to change the gender on their birth certificates without sex-change surgery

ments.

The old rule "perpetuates stereotypes about transgender persons and their need to have surgery in order to live with their gender identity," Sheri Price wrote in a 95-page decision for the commission.

In back-and-forth negotiations leading to the change, the human-rights commission and Trans Lobby Group persuaded the ministry not to limit the corroboration to just a physician.

"Not everyone has access to

Government argument

The government had argued to the commission that other documents, such as a driver's licence, could already be changed by transgender people and were better identity documents.

- Birth records are also important for statistical data, medical research and in decisions about federal-provincial transfer payments.

- The transgender woman's lawyer argued birth certificates are the basis for many other important documents, such as passports.

a physician. A lot of places in rural Ontario don't," said Gapka, explaining their rationale.

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Conservatives overspent on ads by more than 37%

A spokesman for federal Public Works Minister Rona Ambrose says the Harper government is being transparent with its advertising expenses because cabinet approvals of advertising budgets are posted quarterly.

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Children caught in Syrian fighting

A Free Syrian Army fighter comforts a child wounded by Syrian army artillery shelling, at Dar El Shifa hospital in Aleppo, Syria, Wednesday. Regime troops and rebel fighters exchanged fire for several hours around the 13th-century Umayyad Mosque in Syria's largest city, said local activist Mohammed Saeed. He said rebels were trying to drive out regime troops holed up in the downtown place of worship. MANU BRABO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Plane was carrying ammunition to Syria: Turkish PM

Tough stand. Engineer on board Syrian plane said armed Turkish officials handcuffed the crew before inspecting packages

A plane intercepted by Turkish fighter jets on its way from Moscow to Damascus was carrying equipment and ammunition destined for the Syrian Defence Ministry, Turkey's prime minister said Thursday.

Recep Tayyip Erdogan's comments follow a fierce denial by Syria that anything illegal had been aboard the Airbus A320 that was forced by Turkey to land in Ankara late Wednesday. Syria, whose relations with neighbouring Turkey have plummeted over the Syrian war, branded it an act of piracy.

Earlier in the day, Turkish officials had rejected claims by Syria's ally, Russia, that Turkey had endangered the lives of Russian citizens on board the aircraft.

Yeni Safak, a newspaper close to the Turkish government, reported Thursday there were 10 containers aboard the plane, whose contents included radio receivers, antennas and equipment "thought to be missile parts."

Turkish state-run television TRT also reported the



A Syrian Air Airbus A320 passenger plane sits on the runway at Esenboga airport in Ankara, Turkey, early Thursday after it was forced to land by Turkish jets on suspicion that it may be carrying weapons. BURHAN OZBILICI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cargo seized

"These were equipment and ammunitions that were being sent from a Russian agency ... to the Syrian Defence Ministry."

Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Turkey's prime minister

plane was carrying military communications equipment. Neither TRT nor the newspaper cited sources for their claims. The plane was allowed to continue to Damascus after several hours, without the cargo.

Erdogan refused to say how — or from whom — Turkey had learned that the twice-weekly scheduled flight would be used to transport military gear to Syria.

Turkey has called for Syr-

ian President Bashar Assad to step down and Damascus accusing Turkey of supporting the rebels. The two neighbours have traded artillery fire over Syria's northern border throughout the past week.

Hours before the Turkish statement, Russian Ambassador Vladimir Ivanovsky had held talks with Turkish officials at the Foreign Ministry.

Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Lukashevich had said earlier Thursday that Moscow was concerned that lives and safety of the 35 passengers, including 17 Russian citizens, had been endangered.

He said Turkey without explanation denied Russian consular officials and a doctor access to the passengers, who had not been allowed into the airport for eight hours or provided with food.

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Protests expected at launch of Ireland's first abortion clinic

Northern Ireland.

The issue unites social conservatives across the region's usual divide between British Protestant and Irish Catholic

A family-planning charity plans to open the first abortion clinic in Ireland, challenging decades of legal confusion over the extremely limited access to pregnancy terminations in both parts of the island.

Officials at the Marie Stopes facility due to open next week in Belfast, capital of the British territory of Northern Ireland, said Thursday they plan to offer non-surgical abortions to women whose pregnancies are less than nine weeks in gestation.

Alternative

The traditional route for more than 4,000 abortion-seekers annually in Ireland has been a flight to Britain, where abortion has been legal since 1967 and is available to anyone up to 24 weeks pregnant.

They expect protests and have declined to reveal the clinic's street address.

Women will receive medication that causes a miscarriage only if doctors determine that continued pregnancy would jeopardize their physical or mental health.

Abortions under such circumstances are supposed to be legal already in both parts of Ireland. But lawmakers have failed for decades to clarify the situation, leaving

hospitals and doctors fearful of suffering pickets or lawsuits if they're publicly identified as an abortion provider.

In Belfast, Northern Ireland lawmakers have repeatedly bungled the publication of legal guidelines to doctors, while in Dublin, successive Republic of Ireland governments have refused to pass legislation in line with a landmark 1992 Supreme Court judgment. It ordered abortions to be legalized to save a woman's life — including her own threat to commit suicide if denied one.

"The law in Northern Ireland has been very unclear for many women and health-care professionals. Our clinic will provide a safe, caring, sensitive environment for integrated family planning in Northern Ireland for the first time," said Dawn Purvis, director of the new clinic.

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Trees get the blues too

Volunteer Kerri Olson rakes leaves while helping with the coating of a group of Sycamore trees dyed blue as part of a living-art display in Sacramento, Calif., Thursday. The Blue Trees is an art project by Australian artist Konstantin Dimopoulos. RICH PEDRONCELLI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Africa. Harper commits \$20M in aid

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has committed \$20 million in Canadian aid money to help famine-stricken residents in Africa's Sahel belt.

Harper's announcement came as he visited a United Nations centre in the Senegalese capital of Dakar on Thursday.

The \$20 million covers a period of three years and is aimed at improving food distribution and farmland rehabilitation.

"Across the Sahel region of Africa there are many problems, including millions of men, women and children who are suffering because they do not have enough to eat," Harper said on the first full day of his trip to Africa.

"I know I speak for all Canadians when I tell you we will not abandon you. The challenges we're talking about today go well beyond the food shortage, but obviously for many people this is the most critical challenge."

Harper was in Senegal before heading to the Democratic Republic of the Congo on Friday for the summit of la Francophonie on the weekend.

Earlier on Thursday, the prime minister visited a vocational training centre and announced Canada will contribute \$5 million from 2012 to 2017 to improve employment opportunities for young people in Senegal.

Harper was expected to take part in a roundtable with business officials later on Thursday before meeting Senegalese President Macky Sall. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Rabbis, officials clash on circumcision



Or Chaim Nagar, eight days old, is ritually circumcised. GETTY IMAGES FILE

A group of rabbis is clashing with New York City health officials over the safety of an ancient circumcision ritual.

Three rabbis and three Jewish groups asked a federal court Thursday to block enforcement of a new regulation requiring written parental consent for a rite called "metzitzah b'peh," in Hebrew, which city health experts said can spread infection.

During the ritual, the person performing the circum-

cision attempts to cleanse the wound by sucking blood from the cut and spitting it aside.

The saliva contact puts the infant at increased risk of getting herpes simplex, a virus that is carried harmlessly by a large majority of adults but that can be deadly in newborns.

The city's Health Department said it has documented 11 cases of the infection since 2000 among children believed to have undergone the ritual.

Ten required hospitalization. Two developed brain damage. Two died. The deaths prompted some doctors to call for the practice to be banned entirely, but the city adopted a compromise approach instead last month: Mohelim performing the circumcision would be required to inform parents that the city believed the procedure was dangerous and have them sign a consent form.

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Panda mom not responsible for her cub's death

Return to normal.

After four weeks of grieving, Mei Xiang has left her den and is spending time outside

U.S. National Zoo scientists have determined a six-day-old giant panda cub's death last month wasn't momma bear's fault, and life was returning to normal Thursday for giant panda Mei Xiang in Washington, D.C.

The panda mom has stopped cradling a toy and left her den to spend more time in her yard. On Thursday morning, she strolled outside, found a frozen, fruity ice bar and turned her back to a gathering crowd to enjoy breakfast.

Mei Xiang's cub, born Sept. 16, died of liver trouble and signs of lung disease, said chief veterinarian Suzan Murray. After a full necropsy, scientists



Mei Xiang rests at the U.S. National Zoo in Washington Thursday. Her cub died last month of liver failure. JACQUELYN MARTIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

found the tiny female cub's lungs hadn't fully developed and likely weren't sending enough oxygen to the liver. The cub was possibly born prematurely.

Zoo scientists are trying to learn more about how common liver and lung defects are in newborn pandas.

Zookeepers have said Mei Xiang took careful care of the cub. It weighed only about four ounces when it died. The tiny hairless, helpless creatures can be easily crushed, but the cub had no sign of injury. A small amount of milk in the digestive system suggested she had nursed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

T-shirt gets U.K. man jail time

A British man who wore a T-shirt that glorified killing police hours after the deaths of two officers was sentenced Thursday to four months in jail, prompting condemnation from British free-speech campaigners.

Barry Thew, 39, was arrested for wearing a shirt

bearing handwritten messages saying "One less pig perfect justice" and "killacopforfun.com" in Radcliffe, near Manchester, on Sept. 18.

His arrest came hours after two police officers in the region of Manchester, northern England, were killed in a gun-and-grenade attack that

shocked the nation.

Thew was sentenced to four months in jail Thursday after earlier pleading guilty to a public-order offence.

He received another four months for breaching the terms of an earlier suspended sentence.

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August data. Slumping imports reduce Canada's trade deficit

Canada's trade deficit with the world narrowed in August to \$1.3 billion from \$2.5 billion in July due mostly to a drop in imports, further evidence economists said of the impact of the sluggish global economy on the country.

David Watt, chief economist at HSBC Bank Canada, said the trade gap narrowed for the wrong reason — weakness here in Canada.

"Canada's trade deficit narrowed in August, and though rising energy prices suggest that the decline was for the right reasons, that is

higher prices for key exports, in fact, the narrowing had more to do with slumping imports," Watt said.

Statistics Canada said Thursday that merchandise imports fell 3.1 per cent to \$38.8 billion, with declines in every sector except energy products.

Exports edged down 0.1 per cent in August to \$37.5 billion as exports of industrial goods and materials slipped and exports of energy products increased after six consecutive monthly declines.

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World has 6B cell subscriptions: UN agency

The world now has nearly as many cellphone subscriptions as inhabitants. The UN telecom agency says there were about six billion subscriptions by the end of 2011 — roughly one for 86 of every 100 people.

In a report Thursday, the

International Telecommunication Union said China alone accounted for one billion subscriptions, and India is expected to hit the one-billion mark this year.

The Geneva-based agency says 2.3 billion people — or about one in three of the world's seven billion inhabitants — were Internet users by the end of 2011, but there's a strong disparity between rich and developing countries.

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Confused by your cell contract? The CRTC wants to hear from you

National standards.

Telecom regulator asks for consumer input on wireless retail code

Canadians are being asked for help to develop a national retail code for wireless services like cellphones and tablets.

The CRTC said Thursday that it's asking for help because consumers have said their monthly contracts are confusing and the terms and conditions can vary greatly from one wireless company to another.

"Our goal is to make sure that Canadians have the tools they need to make informed choices in a competitive marketplace," CRTC chairman Jean-Pierre Blais said in a news release.

The federal telecom regulator said consumers are being asked for their opinions on the terms and conditions that should be addressed by such a code and how the rules should be enforced, for example.

The CRTC said a national code will help Canadians better understand their rights as consumers as well as set out the responsibilities of wireless companies.



Tablets, cellphones and other wireless services will be covered under the CRTC's national retail code. The code could help consumers understand terms and conditions, which now vary greatly between wireless companies. GETTY IMAGES FILE

Canadians can participate online or write to the CRTC to give their views. The CRTC will also hold a public hearing on the matter Jan. 28 in Gatineau, Que.

Telus, which asked for a national code last spring, said a consistent set of national standards would benefit consumers. "They ensure that all Canadians enjoy the same safeguards, same terms of service," said Telus spokesman Shawn

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"Our goal is to make sure that Canadians have the tools they need to make informed choices in a competitive marketplace." CRTC chairman Jean-Pierre Blais

Hall. He said each province having its own standards and rules would be "inefficient and could be unfair for Canadians."

"Rather than having 12 regional debates about this, it

makes sense to come together to have one national conversation that ensures all Canadians are treated the same," Hall said from Vancouver.

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Trading up: Wendy's revamps 30-year-old logo



Wendy's original logo, left, and its new logo. The fast food company has revamped its look to try and project a higher-end image. WENDY'S/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wendy's pigtails are getting a tweak. For the first time since 1983, the Dublin, Ohio-based fast-food company is updating its logo in a move intended to signal its ongoing transformation into a higher-end hamburger chain.

Instead of the boxy, old-fashioned lettering against a red-and-yellow backdrop, the pared-down new look features the chain's name in a casual red font against a clean white backdrop. An image of the smiling, cartoon girl in red pigtails floats above — though this girl looks more vivid and not quite as childlike.

CEO Emil Brolick said the current logo had served the

company well for the past three decades, but that it was time for an update. Still, Brolick said he was encouraged by consumer feedback in testing dozens of new logo variations over the past several months.

"When we pushed things too far, they very much reeled us back," he said, noting that it showed just how attached people are to the brand.

The makeover comes as the chain struggles to redefine itself in the face of intensifying competition from the likes of Panera Bread Co. and Chipotle Mexican Grill Inc., which are seen as a step up from traditional fast food.

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Crop yields plummet as U.S. reckons with one of its worst droughts in decades

The U.S. Department of Agriculture lowered its projection for the nation's corn crop for a fourth straight month on Thursday, reflecting worse-than-expected news about the actual impact of this year's withering drought from the farmers busy harvesting their fields.

The USDA estimates that farmers will harvest 10.71 billion bushels of corn this year, which would be the smallest amount since 2006. Last month's estimate was 10.73 billion bushels.

Crop estimates change as fields are harvested and farmers get a better sense of how the weather affected yields. The U.S. has been experiencing one of its worst droughts in decades, and conditions



A mountain of corn is piled up at the Frontier Coop grain elevator in Fremont, Neb., on Wednesday. NATHAN HARNIK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

have been particularly harsh in many of the key Midwest and Plains farming states.

Farmers have harvested 69 per cent of the nation's corn already this year, which is well ahead of the 28 per cent that would be harvested by this time in a typical year.

The average yield is about 122 bushels per acre, which is down from last month's estimate of 122.8 bushels. That is the lowest average yield since 1995 and is significantly below

last year's yield of nearly 153 bushels per acre. Although the drought dried up the soil in many parts of the U.S., the corn harvest was surprisingly good in some areas, said Darin Newsom, senior analyst for Telvent DTN, a commodity trading and information provider.

"Is 122 anything great? No. It's still a dismal yield, still well below what had been anticipated earlier this year," Newsom said.

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Mini-Wheats mishap. Kellogg Canada recalls cereal after metal found in packaging

Kellogg Canada has recalled one of its most popular brands of cereal due to pieces of metal being found in the packaging.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency says the company is recalling most sizes of Mini-Wheats brown sugar and original frosted cereal sold nationwide.

The country's food safety watchdog says pieces of pot-

entially harmful metal were found in the cereal.

The products have best-before dates from April 1 to July 29, 2013.

The CFIA issued the recall with little fanfare on Oct. 7 and has not reported any injuries since. Kellogg Canada could not immediately be reached for comment.

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Job market. Numbers reveal fewer Americans are seeking unemployment aid

The number of Americans seeking unemployment aid plummeted last week to seasonally adjusted 339,000, the lowest level in more than four years. The sharp drop, if sustained, could signal a stronger job market.

The Labor Department said Thursday that weekly applications fell by 30,000 to the fewest since Febru-

ary 2008. The four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped by 11,500 to 364,000, a six-month low.

The positive figures follow a report last week that said the unemployment rate fell in September to 7.8 per cent. It was the first time since January 2009 that the rate dropped below eight per cent. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

European debt crisis requires urgent action, says IMF chief

World economy. 'More needs to happen, and faster,' urges Lagarde, on Europe's debt problems and the looming fiscal crisis in the United States

The head of the International Monetary Fund called for urgent action to tackle Europe's debt problems and an approaching fiscal crisis in the U.S. on Thursday, warning that the struggling world economy is already falling short of even pessimistic expectations.

IMF chief Christine Lagarde, speaking to reporters as the IMF and World Bank held annual meetings in Tokyo, praised recent steps taken by the European Central Bank and European governments, but said "more needs to happen, and faster."

Finance ministers and central bankers from the Group of Seven richest nations met



International Monetary Fund managing director Christine Lagarde delivers a speech during the Civil Society Organizations Townhall meeting at the annual IMF/World Bank meetings in Tokyo on Thursday. SHIZUO KAMBAYASHI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

for about 90 minutes on the sidelines to discuss the European debt crisis. They also discussed the impending budget impasse in the U.S., an issue that prompted some at the meeting to express concern, according to a senior Japanese Ministry of Finance official who briefed reporters on condition of anonymity, which is ministry policy. They released no communiqué.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner was upbeat about recent moves in Europe

to stabilize and reform crisis-stricken economies.

"The basic thrust of the strategy is right and good," he told a conference on the sidelines of the IMF and World Bank meetings. "They're already having traction in improving competitiveness."

Geithner also sought to strike a reassuring tone regarding the threat of the so-called "fiscal cliff" of tax increases and deep spending cuts that will take effect in 2013 unless Congress and the Obama administration re-

solve a budget impasse.

The Obama administration intends to try to fix the problem before the end of the year, Geithner said. "We're going to take a run at it."

The IMF has urged the U.S. to raise the ceiling on the level of debt the government can issue, which is capped by law. In August 2011, a battle between Republicans and Democrats over raising the limit wasn't resolved until the U.S. almost defaulted on its debt.

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Spain at a loss as country's credit rating plunges



Students shout slogans during a demonstration against education cuts in Barcelona on Thursday. MANU FERNANDEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Spanish government's dilemma over whether to request a European bailout has become more acute following a downgrade of the cash-strapped country's credit rating.

Standard & Poor's cut its rating on Spain's debt by two notches to BBB-late Wednesday, just a step above junk status, or non-investment grade. That could make it more expensive for the Spanish government to borrow money as it might scare some of its bond investors away.

The agency said it was

concerned by the deepening economic recession, which has seen unemployment rise to nearly one in four and fuelled social discontent. It also noted that the government's hesitation in requesting a European financial lifeline was "potentially raising the risks to Spain's rating."

Though S&P's warning may nudge the Spanish government to make a bailout request sooner rather than later, rival agency Moody's has indicated it may cut its rating for Spain in the event of a bailout request.

"It would appear that when it comes to the rating Spain is a bit between a rock and a hard place," said Gary Jenkins, managing director of Swordfish Research.

The Spanish government said the downgrade was unjustified but argued that it would have little, if any effect, on its plans to raise cash in the money markets.

"The evaluation by Standard and Poor's caught us by surprise," Spain deputy Economy Minister Fernando Jimenez Latorre said Thursday. "We don't agree with its reasons."

Madrid's IBEX was the only major European stock index to drop on Thursday, albeit by a modest 0.2 per cent.

The yield on the country's 10-year bond was more or less unchanged, just below 5.8 per cent, as investors weighed whether the country would tap a new facility from the European Central Bank.

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Fluidity of pipeline plan frustrates

Environmental hearings. Uncertainty about everything from route to materials in Enbridge's proposal comes under fire

For critics, the proposed Northern Gateway pipeline is a moving target — literally — and the uncertainty of everything from the route to the type of steel that will be used in the pipeline is a source of frustration at environmental assessment hearings.

For a third day Thursday, a panel of experts who have worked on the project proposed by Calgary-based Enbridge were questioned under oath at final hearings in Prince George, B.C.

And for a third day, frustrations were palpable on both sides as interveners seeking answers about the \$6-billion project came up against experts

who simply don't have definitive answers at this stage of the proposal.

"I can't help but get the sense from some of the answers that this panel has given that very much what's going on here is a work in progress, that you've put together a proposal and there's a lot of preliminary process and preliminary design, but with respect to the actual pipeline — where it will go, what it will look like, how it will cross certain streams — that it's very much, 'We don't really know at this stage.' Is that fair?" asked Tim Leadam, the lawyer for Ecojustice, which represents a coalition of conservation groups.

Ray Doering, manager of engineering for the Northern Gateway project, said Enbridge has filed a preliminary design and supplemental information, and the review hearings themselves will result in further changes before a detailed design is completed.

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Creating the world's largest underground mine

A multiple perforation machine used to place explosives into rock walls stands at the Chuquicamata copper mine in the Atacama desert in northern Chile. Experts say that by 2019 the Chuquicamata copper mine will be unprofitable, so state-owned mining company Codelco is trying to head off closure by converting the open pit into the world's largest underground mine. Codelco believes the mine still has much more to give, with reserves equal to about 60 per cent of all the copper exploited in the mine's history still buried deep beneath the crater. JORGE SAENZ/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Statistics Canada

Housing price index rises again

Statistics Canada says its new housing price index rose 0.2 per cent in August, after a 0.1 per cent increase in July.

The combined metropolitan regions of Toronto and Oshawa, Ont., as well as Calgary, were the top contributors to the growth. In Toronto and Oshawa, market conditions were the primary reason for higher prices, while Calgary builders reported that the main factors were increased material and labour costs, as well as market conditions.

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Airline deal

Alaska Airlines buys Boeing's 737s

Alaska Airlines is buying 50 of Boeing Co.'s new 737s in a deal worth \$5 billion US at sticker prices.

Alaska, operated by Seattle's Alaska Air Group Inc., won't pay full price. Major airline customers commonly get discounts.

The order is the largest ever for Alaska. It includes 37 of Boeing's redesigned 737, which it calls the Max.

It's a new version of the classic plane with a redesigned engine aimed at improving fuel efficiency. Alaska operates a fleet of all 737s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sprint Nextel's shares soar with possibility of Japanese investment

Sprint Nextel Corp. on Thursday said Japanese cellphone company Softbank Corp. is in talks about making a potential substantial investment in the U.S. company.

Sprint, the third-largest cellphone company in the U.S., said the deal could be big enough to involve a "change of control" of the company. It didn't provide any other details.

The news sent Sprint shares as high as \$6.04 US, the highest level since 2008. Shares rose 72 cents, or 14.3 per cent, to close at \$5.76 Thursday.

The Wall Street Journal, cit-

ing an unidentified person with knowledge of the talks, had reported earlier that the potential deal would help Softbank expand outside of Japan. It put the value of the transaction at more than \$12.8 billion. Sprint had a market capitalization of \$15 billion at Wednesday's close, implying that Softbank may not buy the whole company.

Analysts expressed surprise. There has been frequent talk of Sprint buying other U.S. cellphone companies to help it turn around, but an acquisition by a Japanese company wouldn't do much to help its

competitive position in the U.S.

"We would expect to see very little synergies created with such a transaction," said Stifel Nicolaus analyst Christopher King.

Earlier media reports said Sprint's board was considering a bid for MetroPCS Communications Inc., the fifth-largest U.S. cellphone company, to counter an offer by T-Mobile USA. The T-Mobile-MetroPCS deal could make the competitive situation even more difficult for Sprint, which has been losing contract-signing subscribers.

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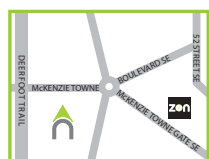
Softbank

Softbank was once the underdog in Japan's telecom industry.

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THE LIST
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It's that time again; the time when the Metro List combines everything from the awesome to the zany to remind you that your world is getting weirder by the week.

1 Eighties re-enactment. Everyone knows that iconic scene from 1989's *Say Anything* with John Cusack (as Lloyd Dobler) holding up the boom box while playing *In Your Eyes* for Ione Skye (as Diane Court). Well, Cusack showed up on stage with a boom box for Peter Gabriel at the Hollywood Bowl on the weekend before he performed the song. Eighties movie re-enactments in real life = retro awesome.

2 The shocking split. They were one of those Hollywood couples that gave you hope for longevity in Hollywood couples. But on Monday, after 30 years of marriage, actors Danny DeVito and Rhea Perlman announced they were separating. Love is dead. In Hollywood, that is. Not in the real world.

3 Poor Elmo. Big Bird has become a huge star after Mitt Romney's remarks in the U.S. presidential debate about loving him, but that he would still be cutting funding from PBS. Big Bird made an appearance on Saturday Night Live, and stars in Obama's new campaign ad in which Big Bird and Sesame Street are compared to Bernie Madoff and Wall Street. Poor Elmo is waiting for a Romney endorsement now.

4 Ben Affleck. The director/actor went on Twitter Monday to host an online chat about *Argo*, his new drama/thriller opening Friday. Affleck showed his funny side, tweeting that if he wasn't directing, he'd "be writing Twitter feeds for celebrities." And if *Argo* "were mistaken for #FARGO, I wouldn't mind. Pretty great movie." But just don't mistake *Argo* for the Toronto Argos.

5 Jen's rock. Jennifer Aniston's ginormous engagement ring from fiancé Justin Theroux, which was caught on camera, was the talk of the Internet, with some people calling it over-the-top, pretentious and gaudy. Of course, there's always the remote possibility Aniston's pranking us with that huge rock. Or trying out for *Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*.

6 Sexiest woman alive. It must be an honour for Mila Kunis to receive this title from *Esquire* magazine in its November issue. And her beau Ashton Kutcher must be an equally happy camper. Runners-up for the title include Anne Hathaway, Katie Holmes and my wife, Christi. Now, the part about my wife isn't true, but I just got enough brownie points to last a week for suggesting it.

7 Tim Tebow. Monday night's NFL game between the Jets and Texans became one of good versus evil when Jets backup QB Tim Tebow (a devout Christian) tweeted out earlier in the day, "Looking forward to giving God all the glory in tonight's 666th Monday Night Football game. Romans 8:37-39." Evil won out, barely, as the Texans beat Tebow 23-17.

8 Lena Dunham. The *Girls* creator's autobiographical book *Not That Kind of Girl: A Young Woman Tells You What She's Learned*, is the talk of literary circles. A bidding war for the 26-year-old's book of essays ended with her signing a \$3.5-million US deal with Random House. Publishers, if you're interested in *Not That Kind of Guy: A Middle-Aged Man Tells You What He's Learned*, give me your best offer.

9 Eric Winston. An eloquent post-game rant by the Kansas City Chief offensive lineman went viral on YouTube after he tore into hometown fans who cheered an injury to their own QB, Matt Cassel, who had been performing poorly. Cassel suffered a concussion and Winston laid into the fans, calling the cheering "100 per cent sickening." Indeed, those fans were so far offside.

10 Jian Ghomeshi's 1982. This goofy, thoughtful memoir by the host of CBC Radio's *Q* gives the goods on life growing up as a Persian-Canadian boy in the early '80s in Thornhill, Ont. And it also covers the influence of new-wave music (Bowie, the Clash, Talking Heads — yes!) on Ghomeshi. Full of pop culture, full of Canadiana, full of the '80s — like it on Facebook, love it in real life.

11 Twitter quake. The Montreal region was hit by a small quake Wednesday night, and people took to Twitter with some comic gems like "Apparently the Hockey Gods are pissed that the puck won't be dropping at the Bell Centre on Thursday. #earthquake #montreal," and "PVRs have spoiled me. I want to rewind real life by 10 minutes so I can feel that #earthquake again."

Large feat for tiny creature



NUNU RIZANI/SOLENT NEWS

Indonesia's models

The backyard miracles

This ant likes a challenge, playing with a marble several times its size on a shallow pool of water.

The moment was captured as part of a series by Indonesian amateur photographer Nunu Rizani, showing macro images of insects playing with his children's toys on water.

METRO

The photog



"I waited for that wonderful moment when they play on the marbles. Normally they avoid water, but when they know it's not deep they can walk on it."

Nunu Rizani, finance worker from West Java, Indonesia

Insect heroes

They work for you:

- Ladybugs.** The most popular insects, according to a U.K. survey, the garden saviours eat parasites that destroy plants.
- Cockroaches.** U.S. police plan to use remote-controlled roaches as scouts in hostage situations.
- Silkworms.** Their thread produces the silk for clothing.

Impressive work

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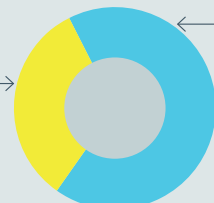
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Twitter

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@JmoranStrilchuk: It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Tomorrow will be fall, weekend will be spring. Never a dull moment in Calgary weather. #yyc

@Dear: #yyc weather, why do you have

to make me sing "fat man in a little coat" every day? We talked about this. I need it nice for 1 week

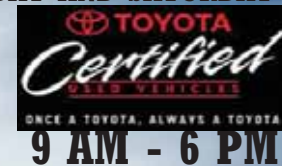
@BeautifulMessL: Ignore the cold...see the beauty #yyc #firstsnowfall

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Canadians get some hero cred in Argo. HANDOUT

Reel Guys

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CROUSE AND
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Mission: Theatrical

Argo. The Reel Guys may have uncovered the underlying intent of this movie about a Hollywood-assisted CIA op in Iran

Richard: Mark, despite being based in truth, this spy story has the kind of Hollywood feel that reduces the agents to stereotypes — the world-weary spymaster, the by-the-book boss wielding the “Clipboard of Authority” — and the mission to a series of set pieces involving split-second timing and imminent danger. But this isn’t Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy, with that movie’s pensive take on the intelligence racket. It’s an Affleck-directed thriller that despite its overreliance on well-worn theatrics, works well.

Mark: I’m so glad it isn’t

Tinker Tailor Boring Spy. That put me to sleep. This is a fast-paced, often-funny caper movie. Everyone plays their parts well, but it’s not an actor’s movie, it’s the story that matters. And what a story! It seems absurd but it’s too loopy NOT to be true. You might say the film buys into the American belief that Hollywood conquers all, even an international crisis, but it sends it up satirically too. And Canadians are partly the heroes of the film — sort of.

RC: The Canadian connection is played with a sort of understated aplomb, which I suppose suits our national character, but I would have loved to see Ken Taylor played as more of an action hero, like Captain Canuck with diplomatic immunity. I’ll also agree this isn’t an actor’s movie, but you have to love Alan Arkin as Hollywood mogul Lester Siegel.

Arkin is the most flamboyant actor on screen and injects needed energy into stateside scenes.

MB: So true about Arkin; he’s the only one who stands out. And he has the best line in the film: “If I’m going to make a fake movie, I want it to be a fake hit!” I actually spent time wondering if the fake movie might actually be watchable if it were made. The plot didn’t look any worse than John Carter. And here’s a nice paranoid thought: The Iranians in the movie looked dangerous, and the timing of the movie’s release, on the eve of a possible U.S. military intervention into Iran, seems convenient. A CIA co-production, Richard?

RC: Great, now the Reel Guys are going to end up on some kind of CIA watch list. Thanks for exposing the real purpose of this movie.

Synopsis

The action begins in 1979 as Iranian militants invade the U.S. embassy in Tehran, taking 52 of the 58 diplomats hostage. Six manage to escape, making their way to refuge at the home of Canadian Ambassador Ken Taylor (Victor Garber). In the U.S. the CIA hire Tony Mendez (Ben Affleck), an “exfiltration” expert to smuggle the six out of Iran. Creating false identities, he has them pose as a film crew scouting locations for a fake sci-fi flick called Argo.

• Richard: ●●●●

• Mark: ●●●●

MB: Well if the CIA did produce it, they did a great job. One of the more original and entertaining films of the year.

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Burns gets back to his Irish roots

What he knows best.

Star of Alex Cross talks about his work on a sequel to *Brothers McMullan* and how Tyler Perry gave him the idea to do it



NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Edward Burns hit it big with his debut feature as a writer, director and star, the *Brothers McMullan*, in 1995. So what's he planning for the 20th anniversary? A sequel, of course. In fact, Burns tells Metro that none other than Tyler Perry — with whom he co-stars in *Alex Cross* — has encouraged him to get back to the Irish-American story lines that brought him success to begin with.

It's been nearly 20 years since the *Brothers McMullan*.

I can't believe it's coming up on 20 years. It's crazy. I'm actually working on

the sequel for the 20th anniversary. And I did one that comes out in November called the Fitzgerald Family Christmas, which is seven adult siblings. All my friends from big Irish clans who have seen it are like, "Oh man, this one hits a little too close to home."

Why a Christmas movie?

It's funny. Tyler is the inspiration for the movie. He had just watched *Brothers McMullan* while we were working together and he was like, "Why didn't you ever make a sequel for that film?" So that's where that idea came from. And then he goes, "You know, those first two movies were so successful, and it's all about the Irish-Catholic families. Why haven't you written about that since?" And I really didn't have an explanation. He's like, "Take it from me. Super-serve your niche. I guarantee that all those folks that really connected to those first two movies, if you were to make another Irish-American-themed film, they're probably going to come out to check it



Alex Cross opens next Friday. HANDOUT

out." I was like, "F---, you know what? He's absolutely right." So I sat down and I just started writing.

Aside from your own movies, a lot of your characters have this strong

Irish-America identity. It's even mentioned here in Alex Cross.

I had nothing to do with

Quoted

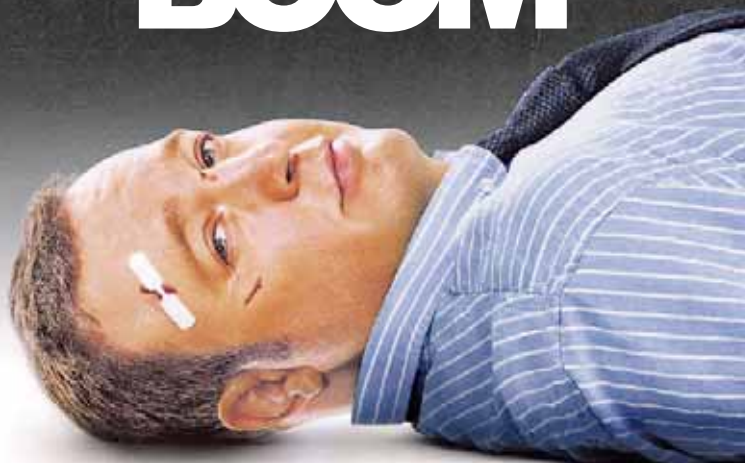
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Edward Burns on the Irish-American references in much of his work

that being in the script. I think at a certain point in some of the films I've acted in, they just throw that in there — or they throw the New York thing in there. I was in this movie called *Life or Something Like It* with Angelina Jolie, a romantic comedy, and at a certain point they were just like, "All right, what are we going to do with this accent? Let's get him in a Mets hat in one scene and we'll just be done with it." But for me as a filmmaker, it's not even just writing what you know, it's write what you love, you know? Growing up ... everywhere we went there was just nothing but Irish people. It's in your blood.

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Matthew Fox. Playing a psychotic assassin requires commitment



Matthew Fox looking lean and mean in *Alex Cross*. HANDOUT

Matthew Fox underwent a startling physical transformation, dropping down to nearly zero per cent body fat to play the psychotic assassin Picasso in *Alex Cross*, so it's understandable that he's been getting a lot of diet and exercise questions..

How tired are you of getting diet and exercise questions?
(Laughs) Yeah. I fortunately

braced myself for the fact that that was going to be one of the things that people were going to come with as far as questions. So I'm not too tired about it. It was a lot of hard work, man. I don't watch any playback or rushes or anything like that — I still haven't seen the movie. I think down the road I always hit a point where I'm like, "OK, now I can

watch this." So I really hadn't seen myself and what I was setting out to accomplish with that guy until somebody sent me [a promotional photo]. Somebody forwarded it to me and I opened this email, and it's this image of myself in the cage thing where he's breaking the guy's arm. And I was like, "Whoa, dude, that is so intense and disturbing." **NED EHRRBAR, MWN**

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Comedy



Here Comes The Boom

Director. Frank Coraci

Stars. Kevin James, Salma Hayek

Here Comes the Boom may not bring the boom but it's not quite cinematic doom either. At the broad comedy's core is Kevin James playing earnest as a bored biology teacher engaging in mixed martial arts to raise funds for his financially-strapped school. As outrageous a premise as that is, it still sort of works due to some charming gags and bold brawl scenes. However, constant jabs of formulaic sentiment definitely keep the film from becoming a true champ.

STEVE GOW

Comedy



Seven Psychopaths

Director. Martin McDonagh

Stars. Colin Farrell, Sam Rockwell

It may not be as neatly-structured as his Oscar-nominated breakthrough comedy In Bruges but Martin McDonagh's Seven Psychopaths is certainly as entertaining. A bizarre riff on the art of screen-writing, the dog-napping caper features a struggling scribe (Colin Farrell) who finds inspiration in the shady characters that arise when his best bud nabs a mobster's mutt. While it's certainly a complex narrative that will lose many mainstream moviegoers, snappy dialogue and a fun cast make Psychopaths a big score. **STEVE GOW**

Horror



Sinister

Director. Scott Derrickson

Stars. Ethan Hawke, Juliet Rylance, James Ransone

A true crime author (Ethan Hawke) is so convinced he's on to a new real-life mystery with the makings of a bestseller he relocates to a small town and a new house. He doesn't tell his wife or kids that the house is actually the scene of the crime he's investigating or about the disturbing home movies he finds in the attic. Sinister is a good old-fashioned spooky movie. It shies away from getting really down and dirty — most of the really grim stuff is left to our imaginations — but it builds tension well and will leave you unsettled. **RICHARD CROUSE**

Horror



Antiviral

Director. Brandon Cronenberg

Stars. Caleb Landry Jones, Sarah Gadon, Malcolm McDowell

Brandon Cronenberg's maiden feature is, on the surface, akin to the body horror bent of his famous father. But underneath it beats a very different, even more bleak heart. Caleb Landry-Jones plays Syd, a bootlegger of celebrity viruses whose clientele are addicted to injecting themselves with the diseases of the stars. Soon, Syd is involved in corporate skulduggery which leads to vomiting blood all over white walls. DP Karim Hussain's imagery is crisp and Cronenberg goes for icy satire tempered by lowbrow FX gags. **CHRIS ALEXANDER**

Drama



Arbitrage

Director. Nicholas Jarecki

Stars. Richard Gere, Susan Sarandon

An audacious thriller by first-time filmmaker Nicholas Jarecki, Arbitrage explores a rich investment manager (Richard Gere) and his desperate attempt to hide his lover's homicide while trying to sell his failing company. Jarecki may force a complex examination of power and corruption using a slightly conventional narrative but it's certainly forgivable considering the great performances of Gere and the cast.

STEVE GOW

Comedy/Drama

And if We all Lived Together?

Director. Stéphane Robelin

Stars. Guy Bedos, Pierre Richard, Geraldine Chaplin, Jane Fonda

Five elderly, long-time friends move in together to avoid being institutionalized. It's a major awakening as secrets are unearthed. Adventure has come calling as they decline, but what a way to go. This funny and poignant film leaves no oversweet aftertaste.

ANNE BRODIE

Documentary

Ai Weiwei: Never sorry

Director. Alison Klayman

Ai Weiwei: Never Sorry is a documentary worth watching if only for its subject — China's most controversial artist and activist. Though slightly meandering, it lays out Weiwei's massive accomplishments. **STEVE GOW**

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"I made this film thinking it would have a very, very small life within Canada and hopefully wouldn't be a total embarrassment..."

"I kept saying to my siblings when they would be worried about things they had said in the interviews... 'You really don't have to worry, no one will ever see this... no one's going to care.'"

Sarah Polley on her genre-blurring documentary, *Stories We Tell*, about a personal family secret she feared would upend her personal and professional life.
THE CANADIAN PRESS



Audition with Spielberg? No big deal for Henry Thomas

Blu-ray release.

Actor who played Elliott reflects on life-changing role, 30 years after E.T. hit theatres

There was a lot of pressure resting on Henry Thomas's tiny shoulders when he was cast in E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial, since the potential success of the tear-jerking fantasy classic was in part pinned on the pre-teen's ability to form a believable bond with the titular alien.

But Thomas, who was 10 when the influential film was released, was fortunate — he was too young to realize how much the film's prospects might have hinged on his emotional performance.

"I felt the pressure just as a day to day thing — it was a lot of work — but I didn't delve past it, didn't start to build it up in my mind or anything," Thomas, now 41, said in a recent telephone interview.



Henry Thomas, who played Elliott in E.T., was too young to realize how important his role was. HANDOUT

cent telephone interview.

"I didn't stress out over it. Because I was 10 (and) I was worried about other things.

"If I had to do it now? I'd probably be a nervous wreck."

Those were innocent days for Thomas, who recalls that even when he walked into the

audition with director Steven Spielberg — now a three-time Oscar winner — he wasn't at all starstruck. Thomas was just another sci-fi obsessed child excited to meet the man who helped bring Star Wars and Raiders of the Lost Ark to the screen.

Thomas's crucial audition

for the role of Elliott — a lonely boy in suburban California who befriends and protects a gentle alien that's stranded on Earth — has been immortalized on YouTube, though it's also one of the many special features bundled into the film's lavish new Blu-ray release, which hits

stores Tuesday and includes a startlingly fastidious visual restoration.

During the audition, Thomas improvises with an offscreen line-reader portraying a government agent who wants to capture E.T. for study. Thomas, his lip quivering and eyes welling up with tears, shouts back: "You can't take him away, he's mine!"

As soon as the try-out ends, Spielberg waits just a matter of seconds to give Thomas the good news: "OK, kid, you got the job."

"That was great," says Thomas now. "If every audition was like that, it'd be perfect."

At the time of this interview, Thomas admitted he hadn't recently revisited the film — "I didn't do my homework," he cracked.

But it won't be long before he gives it another look.

"I'm planning on showing it to my oldest daughter, who's eight now," he said.

"It's pretty much right up her alley."

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Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (G) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:10-7:10
Gettin' In (STC) Wed-Thu 7:15
The Intouchables (14A) Fri-Thu 3:40-9:55
Magic Mike (14A) Fri-Thu 10
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-6:45
Moonrise Kingdom (PG) Fri-Thu 9:35
The Odd Life of Timothy Green (G) Fri-Thu 1:20-4-7:20-9:55
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Ted (18A) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:55-7:05-9:40
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La Fille Mal Gardée - Royal Ballet - Live (STC) Sun 12:55
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri 2-4:40-7:10 Sat 11:30-2-4:40-7:10 Sun 2-4:40-7:10 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:10
Frankenweenie 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:10-5:20-7:35-9:45 Mon-Thu 3:10-5:20-7:35-9:45
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English Vinglish (PG) Stadium Seating, SR Dolby Digital Fri-Sun 12:10-3:15-6:20-9:35 Stadium Seating, SR Dolby Digital Mon-Thu 3:15-6:20-9:35
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Hotel Transylvania 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 5:20-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 7:05-9:30
The Last Gladiators (14A) Sun 7:30
Led Zeppelin: Celebration Day (STC) Wed 7:15
Looper (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:30-7:25-10:15
Paranormal Activity 4 (STC) Thu 10:15
Pitch Perfect (PG) Fri 2:05-4:50-7:35-10:15 Sat 11:10-2:05-4:50-7:35-10:15 Sun-Thu 2:05-4:50-7:35-10:15
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Saadi Wakhri Hai Shaan (STC) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-8
Seven Psychopaths (18A) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:55-7:50-10:30 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:55-7:40-10:20
Sinister (14A) Fri-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:15-10
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The Metropolitan Opera: L'Elisir d'Amore Live (STC) Sat 10:55
The Perks of Being a Wallflower (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:50-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 6:05-8:40
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Twitter plays catalyst as Stine finally takes on adult horror novel

Red Rain. Renowned children's horror author listened to social media followers and penned book for grown-ups about evil twin boys

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Twitter has been credited with a lot of things: The ousting of Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak, launching book deals (Sh-t My Dad Says), recounting what you had for lunch, etc. And here's one more gold star on the micro-blogging site's list of accomplishments: Getting famed young adult author R.L. Stine to pen a book for



Children's, and now adult, horror author R.L. Stine. GETTY

adults.

"I'm on Twitter all day long," says the engaging Goosebumps series author, only half-jokingly. "There are no kids on Twitter, but there are all these 20 and 30-somethings who grew up with Goosebumps."

These followers — which number around 60,000 — kept asking Stine if they'd ever be able to read some-

thing from him that's a bit more age-appropriate. "I thought, 'Gee, I have all of these people out there,'" says Stine. "And I can't ignore my audience!"

So Red Rain, a very adult horror book — following orphaned twins adopted by a well-meaning travel author and her family who are unaware that they are evil incarnate — was cre-

Fall into these books

Endearing and touching biography

Dwarf: A Memoir

By Tiffanie DiDonato
Release date: Nov. 27



Many memoirs can feel voyeuristic at times, but not Tiffanie DiDonato's. Dwarf is her tale about growing up with a rare disorder known as diastrophic dysplasia and the surgeries she had to undergo to lengthen her limbs. DiDonato fought with courage and aplomb for the inches she gained — and the life she got because of it. It's not just a medical drama though; there is a sweet love story that flows under the disorder that anyone will be able to relate to.

Comic compilation from the U.S.

The Best American Comics: 2012

Francoise Mouly, editor
Release date: Out now

There's been a "Best Of" compilation of almost every genre of writing; why should comics get passed over? Curated by Francoise Mouly, this collection presents the best work from comic world icons and up-and-comers alike. It's a standout collection — even if the year isn't over yet.

Coming out

Born this Way: Real Stories of Growing Up Gay

By Paul Vitagliano
Release date: Out now



This book is a touching compendium of LGBT people recounting how they came to realize they were gay and sharing their subsequent coming out stories with readers. The pictures of them in all their youthful fierceness make the book.

Second World War heroine

The Life of Objects: A Novel
By Susanna Moore
Release date: Out now

In her trademark tight, crisp, descriptive prose, Susanna Moore delves into the Second World War with her latest heroine, 17-year-old lacemaker Beatrice Palmer, who falls in with an aristocratic German family. It's a literary Downton Abbey — but without the slick TV sheen.

Obama under the microscope

The Oath: The Obama White House and the Supreme Court

By Jeffrey Toobin
Release date: Out now

In his best-selling work, The Nine, Jeffrey Toobin examined our current Supreme Court with the heart-stopping intensity of a thriller. Now in The Oath, he tackles the Obama administration and its battles with the Court's conservative majority.

DOROTHY ROBINSON

ated. But what does it mean that Stine, who spent decades writing books for kids, created two monsters who were children?

"I thought people would find it funny," he says with a laugh. "Because I write about so many good children. The kids in Goosebumps are all good, fighting horrible evil. I thought people would find it ironic if I turned it around."

Red Rain is a tale of

beautiful, otherworldly and, yes, evil twin boys who shoot laser beams out of their eyes. Making them twins was an intentional plot device for Stine.

"All twins are scary," he says. "They have been through time." Stine researched twins throughout the ages before starting to write the book. "People would separate them at birth because they were considered bad luck," he

recounted. "And, of course, there have been lots of horror books and movies about evil twins, so I'm carrying on the tradition."

It's a big year for Stine. Not only is Red Rain out today, but it's also the 20th anniversary of Goosebumps, one of the best-selling children's series of all time. Just how popular is the series?

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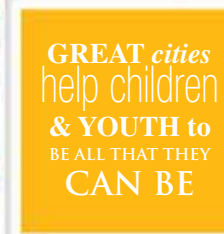
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Celebs battle over best Bond



"He has all of what you expect from Bond. He was debonair, classy and yet had a twinkle in his eye and he's a handsome guy who can act."

GoldenEye actress Famke Janssen. Talking up her co-star in that movie Irish actor Pierce Brosnan.



"Timothy Dalton deserves more credit than he gets. He nails the dark and dangerous element, but unlike Daniel Craig (Connery's runner up in my book), Dalton also brings an elegance and humour to the role."

Star of Guys with Kids Jesse Bradford on the only Welsh man to ever play Bond.

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Bond with the classics

Spy soundtrack. With Adele's Skyfall pleasing the ears of fans, we look at the other songs that made the secret agent saga famous

With the release of the latest Bond movie Skyfall and the film's impressive song of the same name by British songstress Adele, Metro looks at a long line of iconic tunes that helped make Bond the sophisticated, escapist's franchise that it is today.

Goldfinger by Shirley Bassey from Goldfinger

Classic film, classic voice: Bassey recorded three Bond themes, the only performer to do more than one.

Bond Theme/Kingston Calypso/Three Blind Mice by Monty Norman from Dr. No
The first, and, if not the best, it deserves credit for setting the tone for future Bonds, although the end of the YouTube clip for the song is just odd. Plus: funky title design!

Live and Let Die by Paul McCartney & Wings from Live and Let Die
Love it when the guitar breaks out. Or are we thinking of the Guns N Roses cover?

Nobody Does it Better by Carly Simon from The Spy Who Loved Me
The title says it all.

A View to a Kill (Dance Into the Fire) by Duran Duran from



A View to a Kill

For a certain generation, Roger Moore is James Bond, and this was his definitive '80s theme.

OHMSS Title Theme by John Barry Orchestra from On Her Majesty's Secret Service
Sampled by DJs even today, this classical hit is more fondly remembered than George whatshisname.

Diamonds are Forever by Shirley Bassey from Diamonds are Forever
Another Bassey smash, this for the last official film to star Sean Connery.

From Russia with Love (Instrumental) by John Barry from From Russia with Love
Another instrumental, and still glorious 50 years later.

The World is Not Enough by Garbage from The World is

Not Enough

Kudos to the producers for taking a risk here, hiring an alt rock band with electronic, melancholy touches, to shake things up. It's Bond remixed.

You Only Live Twice by Nancy Sinatra from You Only Live Twice

A year after her hit These Boots Are Made for Walkin', Frank's daughter scored another hit.

Moonraker by Shirley Bassey from Moonraker
Bassey is still alive and performing Bond songs. Bring her back!

Thunderball by Tom Jones from Thunderball
Who better to sing a Bond song than a man who scores just as many ladies?

The Man with the Golden

Gun by Lulu from The Man with the Golden Gun
Lovely. But we prefer Lulu's To Sir, with Love

GoldenEye by Tina Turner from GoldenEye
She's an icon. This song, not so much.

Licence to Kill by Gladys Knight from Licence to Kill
The track sounds very 1989, but we're nostalgic for it. Unlike Sheena Easton's.

For Your Eyes Only by Sheena Easton from For Your Eyes Only
The '80s Brit sings this one right into the camera, and gives it her all. We remember it being played in dentists' offices everywhere.

All Time High by Rita Coolidge from Octopussy
The tune is passable but we dock points because

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she never says the word Octopussy.

The Living Daylights by A-Ha from The Living Daylights

Side note: A-Ha's video for Take on Me was better than this entire film.

Another Way to Die by Jack White & Alicia Keys from Quantum of Solace

Stuttering, rockabilly, and featuring a weird pair, this tune is at least bolder than the movie, one of the worst Bonds ever.

Tomorrow Never Dies by Sheryl Crow from Tomorrow Never Dies

There's no one less Bond than the woman behind elevator music like All I Wanna Do.

Die Another Day by Madonna from Die Another Day
Madonna + vocoder = a dated techno fail. This just misses last place because at least we remember it.

You Know My Name by Chris Cornell from Casino Royale

A revitalizing movie. With a theme song sung by a grunge-era relic.

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Sean Paul. Reflects on the women who have helped make his career



Sean Paul is sporting a new hairdo. GETTY IMAGES

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On Sean Paul's brand-new single, Kelly Rowland asks him, How Deep Is Your Love? The song is pure Mr. Loverman dance hall, as Rowland provides the pretty chorus hook and Sean Paul answers that his love is "deeper than the ocean" amongst the decipherable words in his bubbling patois. Though it seems as he could be flirting with any female, he could also be giving thanks to every female.

"I think I make good songs with ladies," says the Jamaican singer, displaying what is either an acute self-awareness or an understated view of his history of duets.

Over the years he has paired his voice with the likes of Rihanna, Nina Sky, Alexis Jordan, Keyshia Cole and Beyoncé.

"With me wanting to do any other collaborations with ladies, I think Kelly Rowland was just like the cherry on top," he says.

This latest pairing also means that he's sang with two-thirds of the formative lineup of Destiny's Child.

"Yeah, Michelle," he says, contemplating the final puzzle piece, Michelle Williams, "I guess in the future I'll do a gospel tour with her."

Mohawk Tomahawk

Sean Paul's new album *Tomahawk Technique* is the first to showcase his new hairdo, a change from the tight braids that became a trademark for him early in his career.

- **Quote.** "I'm gonna be like 80 and rocking a mohawk. People will be like, 'Look at that mad old dude!'"

It's hard to know if Sean Paul is serious or not, but he does seem genuinely interested in more duets.

"I want to work with Alicia Keys because of her vibe. I want to work with Shakira, and I heard she just got pregnant — big ups and congrats to her," he says, almost as if he's doing a shout-out on a radio station.

But the artist he seems really set on working with is Lauryn Hill.

"I think she's an amazing talent," he says.

"I do not like when people do not recognize history, and Lauryn Hill made history, man. She has a crazy album that is a landmark, and you can still play that album anywhere. That sounds like an artist to me."

Out of the Black puts a big light on Boys Noize

New album. Huge names jumping on board with Alexander Ridha as he continues his journey through the indie-music underworld

Alexander Ridha has made a name for himself. Performing under the name Boys Noize, he's been able to perform with the biggest names like Tiesto and Skrillex and collaborate with Snoop Dogg and Jarvis Cocker — all without major label representation.

We caught up with Ridha at Electric Zoo in New York City to talk about his newest album *Out of the Black* and find out what influences him and keeps him going.

Out of the Black is coming out throughout October. What inspired you on this album?

One of the big parts of this album was really getting back since it's my third album. I was trying to get this feeling back when I first started producing.

Most of the time when you don't know what you are doing that's when the magic happens. I was really clearing my head and forgetting about everything that is going on right now and what is hot right now. It's a very personal album. I would say it's a mix of my first and second albums.

You have a lot of disco and hip hop influences. Is that what you grew up listening to?

I have a 10 years older brother, and at the end of



Boys Noize has been getting big name collaborations without big label help. DOUGLAS VAN SANT FOR ELECTRICZOOFESTIVAL.COM

the 80s he was buying all those early house records so I was always into that, into real house music and rap at the same time, Run DMC and Public Enemy and stuff.

When I started to buy records I was buying both, like hip hop and house. The way I always mixed house music as a DJ was also more in a hip hop way. I was cutting music and loops.

Who would we be surprised that we listened to? The Bee Gees?

I don't have anything against the Bee Gees and Donna Summer, but that was more my mother's side. She was all in that disco stuff like chic.

What kind of hip hop did you listen to?

The old school stuff was kind of like Pharcyde or Wu Tang. When it came out, I was able to rap the whole ODB album, the first one. Even though I didn't understand anything because I was German, I was rapping along!

I stopped buying hip-hop records towards the beginning of 2000 because it got too much like jiggy, and it was only about like rims and stuff. But I was still a big fan of any Neptunes or Timbaland production, and of course Dre. And of course Snoop.

Quote

"I'm going on my first live tour. I'm going to do a crazy production as well. It's going to be something I'm really, really excited about."

Alexander Ridha
Talking about the break out success of Boys Noize

Speaking of Snoop Dogg — or Snoop Lion, I guess... Not on my album. On my album he's Snoop Dogg! (Laughs)

What was it like working with him on Got It?

It was amazing. It was like a dream come true. I was always saying to myself, "If I would be able to make a track for him, I could stop making music." I grew up with his sound. It was cool.

You know he wants to vibe first so we hung out a little bit. In the beginning of this year we had the chance to record music together, hang out in his apartment and stuff. It was really nice and he's such a great guy.

Onto another collaboration. I'm a huge Jarvis Cocker fan. I love Pulp. What was it like to work with him?

You're the first to ask that! It was fantastic because it was something I really didn't expect him to do.

I did the music with a friend of mine, Erol Alkan. We didn't want it to get like the standard remixes, we just wanted to make something really outstanding and came up with this idea.

We asked him, and he did this kind of a cover version of an old Leonard Cohen song which is called Avalanche. He was speaking all those words. It's really amazing if you think about making music with Jarvis Cocker. He's a genius.

What else can we look forward to from you besides your new album?

I'm going on my first live tour. I'm going to do a crazy production as well. It's going to be something I'm really, really excited about. I'm starting the tour Oct. 6, and I'll be in the U.S. I think from Nov. 23. It's going to be crazy I told you.

I just wanted to make something new. I've been lucky to play all festivals with my CDs, and it definitely had a live element as well because I do a lot of improvisation or remix live on the go.

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When Caribou's Dan Snaith first started frequenting dance clubs as a teenager in Toronto, he was already being drawn to the DJ booth.

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Seeking music's unexperienced

New album. Dan Snaith, of Caribou fame, is releasing a electronica album with the hope of generating fresh inspiration

When Caribou's Dan Snaith first started frequenting dance clubs as a teenager in Toronto, he already couldn't resist the lure of the DJ booth.

Any time a piece of visionary vinyl started spinning, he remembers being "that guy" peering over the DJ's shoulder, trying to catch a glimpse of the label.

"The most exciting mo-

ments in DJ sets for me, in the past, have all been: 'Oh my God, I can't believe this record exists. It's so good, what is it?'" said Snaith.

In recent years — just as Snaith found himself exhausted by the rituals and clichés of traditional live pop music — he found himself returning to clubs, energized and inspired by the DJs whirling through London and those moments of dance floor discovery that are hard to come by anywhere else.

That's what inspired his latest disc, *Jiaolong*, which the electronic composer — who previously recorded as Manitoba — will release Tuesday as the moniker Daphni.

As opposed to his typically

meticulous work with Caribou, Snaith breathed life into these nine tracks quickly, out of necessity — most of the compositions here had to be finished immediately as he worked to conjure new music for his set.

And given that he worked with an analog modular synthesizer — a notoriously fussy machine with which it can be difficult or even impossible to reproduce sounds created moments before — he didn't have the option of fiddling endlessly with his spontaneously crafted tunes.

"The whole point of this music is for it to sound like something unexpected and genuinely live and improvised is happening, so when I

was DJing it in a club, people would get that feeling that like: 'What on earth is going to happen next? We don't know where this music's going,'" he said.

But while venturing into somewhat unfamiliar territory, Snaith was thankful for the ability to test his latest tunes quickly in front of discerning crowds.

"My most common experience is making a track that I'm really excited about and coming back the next day and listening to it and thinking that it's terrible. That has always happened to me — always," said Snaith, who has a PhD in mathematics from Imperial College London.

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Fall is definitely here and we're spending time indoors.
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Fantastically atmospheric music from the oddly-punctuated Montreal outfit. Allelujah! Don't Bend! Ascend! It's their first record in a decade.

Now Is The Start/A Fine Frenzy

Tori Amos and Kate Bush fans will appreciate Alison Sudol's whimsy. Her third album is called Pines.



Teardrop Windows/Ben Gibbard

The Death Cab for Cutie frontman feels the need to exorcise some pent-up solo issues. I wonder how much of Former Lies was written with ex-wife Zoëy Deschanel in mind?

Songwriter nominations. Elvis Costello, B.B. King and Davies lead the way

Elvis Costello, B.B. King and Ray Davies are among the nominees for the 2013 Songwriters Hall of Fame.

They're joined by a slew of top acts, including Jimmy Buffett, Vince Gill and Rod Temperton, who wrote Michael Jackson's Thriller, Rock With You and Off the Wall.

Songwriters Hall gave The Associated Press a list of nominees in advance of the official announcement, set for Oct. 16. The gala takes place June 13 at the New York Marriott Marquis.

Also nominated are Fleetwood Mac's Stevie Nicks, Lindsey Buckingham and Christine McVie, former Eurythmics bandmates Annie Lennox and Dave Stewart, Jeff Lynne, Steve Winwood, Aerosmith's Steven Tyler and Joe Perry, Bobby Womack and Foreigner's Lou Gramm and Mick Jones, who said in an interview that he's excited to be highlighted as a songwriter.

"It means a lot that those songs have been recognized, and maybe, hopefully a little part of history," Jones said of the band's hits, which in-



Elvis Costello. GETTY IMAGES

Other nods

Non-performing songwriters.

- **Up for nomination.** Chain of Fools songwriter Don Covay, country music songwriter Bobby Braddock and Holly Knight, who co-wrote Pat Benatar's Love Is a Battlefield and Tina Turner's Better Be Good to Me.

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Django Django bring back the rock-dance remix

Behind the music.

British band talks stage wear, album sounds and their audience

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The first time Metro encountered the British band Django Django, the only music they had released were a few EPs of remixes that made it difficult to figure out what type of music they actually played.

How do you identify the most authentic vision of a song when you are presented with so many choices?

Then we caught the band live at SXSW and they demonstrated a vibrancy that wasn't initially evident in their studio recordings.

They had the crowd jumping so much that it was difficult to see the stage. This reporter, upon first meeting the band for an initial sit-down asked about their shirts, which looked like matching pajama tops with cartoon strips of bacon on them.

It turns out they were just black T-shirts that they had poured bleach all over.



David Maclean, Vincent Neff, Jimmy Dixon and Tommy Grace of Django Django. BEN PRUCHNIE/GETTY IMAGES

A few months later, producer David Maclean called us up to chat again.

Are you still wearing the bacon pajamas/bleached shirts when you perform live? I think we still have some. I think we have similar T-shirts, some kind of shirts we've designed or we just kind of go through phases, wearing some kind of matching uniform type things, but not always. It

just depends what we're in the mood for really. We try to look like a unit on stage. That's something we like to do, and I think as we progress and have more time we'll definitely focus on doing a lot of those things because we're on the road a lot so we kind of make up ideas on the move and make them DIY. It'd be nice to sit down and design proper stage wear.

It was interesting too for me to see you guys live and then hear the album. I had thought I had a grip of what the sound was, but then the album is different. It felt like the live shows was like, "OK, cool this is stuff you can dance to in the clubs" and then the album felt like this is something you go bring into the woods with friends and all listen to while spacing out.

Yeah, it just probably shows a progression.

The album was made by me and Vinnie [Neff, singer and guitarist] sitting in my bedroom, a tiny little bedroom with a computer at the end of the bed, and just sort of plugging the guitar in and hitting some percussion and layered a lot.

We weren't working after college. We didn't even think it was an album. ... It was never created as an album until the label came along and said, "can we create it?" So we weren't even a proper band, so when we got a drum kit and some amps and stuff and did a gig, then all that had to change and go out the window because we couldn't sit there and layer up tracks of tambourines and tapping and trippy nonsense.

We had to go live with something and being into dance music just kind of gets you started into a dance path so that would probably come back and reflect the way we record the next album.

It all comes to a circle really.

How did you picture people listening to these songs? The trippy nonsense way or the dancing way?

Sort of neither. I mean I like listening to music walking around cities or on a bus. I don't know, it's weird listening to music and being absorbed into the music, so for me the psychedelic part was always, that was kind of my mind wandering a bit, not necessarily through psychedelic drugs, but through just sort of day dreaming and dreams, and escapism. I mean, yes, in the past we might have tripped on magic mushrooms and that gives you a kind of experience you draw on, but everything in life becomes that experience, whether it's a relationship or a trip on acid or the time you went for a walk or the time you went fishing, you know, it doesn't really matter to me.

It all kind of ends up coming out subconsciously or consciously when you sit down to make music, so basically it was made through sitting down at the computer with the guitar and sort of playing out a lifetime of adventures.

So then it's kind of impossible to say where you imagine the listener would be at the time then enjoying or even how we were going to approach it live because it was such a weird way to make music in such a bubble.

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Behind the curtain of Morrissey's mind

Interview. Metro speaks to the British singer about his views on the Royals, his Latino fanbase, a Smiths reunion and his new autobiography

PAT HEALY
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When the opportunity arises to interview a celebrity via email, we often balk at the invitation because there's really no way of knowing that the person who is supposedly answering is the person to whom you're really posing the questions.

But occasionally we'll make exceptions for an entertainer we feel is worth any inconvenience.

And so it was that the British singer Morrissey became part of this elite and mismatched club. Earlier this month, rumours emerged online that The Smiths, known for their less than amicable split, were reuniting.

He quickly quashed those rumours and was eager to discuss his upcoming autobiog-



Morrissey has never been one to hide his opinions and now he's bringing them to people in autobiographical form. GETTY IMAGES

raphy, which his publisher, Penguin Books, is already calling "a classic in the making."

Did you find fulfillment in writing your autobiography? Was there a particular period of time in your life that you exorcised that gave you more relief to revisit than others?

The terror is equally balanced throughout all periods. It's a bit like locking yourself

away in a dark room and hoping to God something useful develops.

Were there portions that you found yourself skipping over because you felt like you adequately addressed them in song already?

No, because anything worth saying bears repeating.

Was dealing with a long format a luxury or a chore?

At times I felt ready to be carried off, and you can certainly overdose on yourself. But even on off-days I'd find some petrol (gas) in the tank.

You've always been known for writing such great quotable couplets, which ended up in countless yearbooks over the years. Can you share either the first or last sentence of the book with our readers?

Two more for the road

A few more questions

• Do you address the beginning of your career in a way that fans might finally stop asking you when The Smiths will get back together? If people continue to ask that question now, which they do, then they shall never stop, and they shall never stop because they don't understand the his-

tory of the band. Asking about a Smiths reformation is no different to driving into fog.

• How important was it to you to let your feelings be known about the Royal Family during the Olympics? I don't view it as criticism but as intelligent observation. The so-called Royals are a dictatorship.

Under no circumstances.

Speaking of songwriting lines, is there a line from one of your songs for which you hope you will be best remembered?

Fortunately, there are many. When you've recorded songs such as Life is a Pigsty and The World is Full of Crashing Bores, it can't be denied that you at least have something to say. ... Although Rolling Stone magazine has done a great job of ousting me off the human map.

Further on that topic of being remembered, you've dealt with the subject of

death in your songs quite extensively. Do you have your epitaph picked out already?

Chaucer's "mother dear, let me in." That would suit.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, what makes you laugh these days?

My naked self. Thankfully it's not something I see often. I tend to look away.

You've said that you wouldn't perform past the age of 55. Is this still your cut-off?

I doubt I'll make it to 55. The British Royals will turn the tanks on me way before then.



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Walking Dead takes a bite out of pop culture

Zombie apocalypse.

Hit show has spawned games, books and theme-park attractions

In the first five minutes of the third-season premiere of *The Walking Dead*, former sheriff's deputy Rick Grimes and his battered and beaten band of zombie apocalypse survivors remain completely speechless.

It's a hauntingly stark opening for the popular TV undead drama that no one's been quiet about since it first debuted.

"We meet them after eight months," said Andrew Lincoln, the actor who portrays Rick, sitting alongside Sarah Wayne Callies, who plays Rick's feisty wife, Lori. "There's a huge rift between Rick and Lori. They're desperate. They're more desperate than they've ever been, so much so that in the teaser, no one says a word, and everything is kind of sad."

Everything hasn't been sad for the cast and crew of *The Walking Dead*, which has risen from surprising cult hit to unstoppable zom-

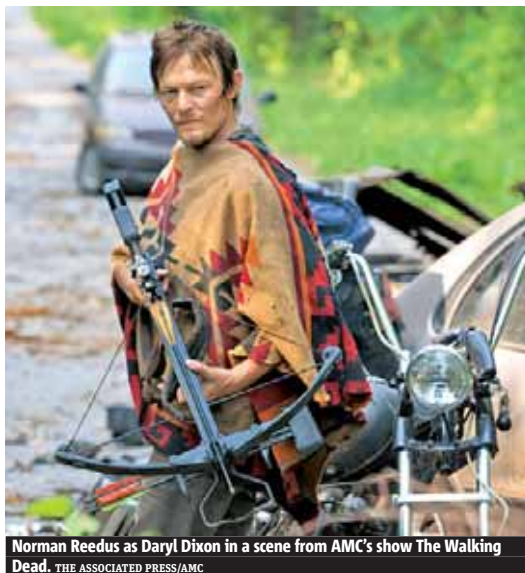
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The *Walking Dead*, which is based on the comic book series written by Robert Kirkman, has transformed into a full-fledged franchise featuring a horde of video games, costumes, toys, books and theme park attractions.

With just a pair of eight-episode seasons, *The Walking Dead* series amassed a huge following, becoming must-scream-TV on Sunday nights. The show's second-season finale, which featured the survivors fleeing a farm after being barraged by waves of zombies, corralled 9 million viewers — a basicable record among younger audiences.

The success is often lost on the cast, who shoot on location in rural Georgia, away from the ego-enhancing realm of Hollywood. They're reminded of the popularity when confronted by thousands of fans at San Diego's Comic-Con or motivated by the "gasoline" that is fan letters and photos posted inside a makeshift shrine erected in the trailer of actor Norman Reedus (Daryl).

"It's a solid pocket we stay in," said Steven Yeun, who plays nimble Glenn.



Norman Reedus as Daryl Dixon in a scene from AMC's show *The Walking Dead*. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/AMC

"I got a glimpse of it today when I was sitting in the hotel room. I looked out from the balcony, and I'm like, 'Where am I?' We just came from shooting a terrible, gnarly scene in the middle of the woods — just yelling and guttural stuff — and now all of a sudden I'm at the Four Seasons."

The third season, which premieres Sunday at 9 p.m. EDT, finds the survivors coming across the too-good-to-be-true town of Woodbury, a zombie-free enclave that's led by a cutthroat character dubbed the Governor.

British actor David Morrissey, who was cast as the iconic villain from the

comics earlier this year, is downplaying the Governor's "MUHAHAHA!" ruthlessness.

"I think, creatively, you'd hit a ceiling very quickly if you did that in the TV show," said Morrissey. "You have to give him complexity. You have to give him a sense of motivation and why he's doing these things."

The new season will also feature katana-wielding fan-favourite Michonne, who saved straggler Andrea at the end of last season with her chained-up zombie sidekicks in tow. Michonne actress Danai Gurira said the character's interpersonal relationships with the other survivors will send her on "a bit of a different journey" than the Michonne of the comics.

However, the action in this season's first two episodes is focused squarely on the prison glimpsed at the end of last season after Rick and son Carl took down a zombified version of Rick's best friend, Shane, who continually clashed with his buddy about how to exist in a world where "walkers" — the show's preferred term for zombies — seem to lurk around every corner.

More than a TV show

The *Walking Dead* masterminds are also pushing their realistic take on the zombie apocalypse into other avenues:

- An episodic game from Telltale Games based on the comic.
- A first-person shooter game due from Activision focusing on Daryl, who doesn't appear in the comics.
- Mazes at Universal Studios' Halloween Horror Nights in California and Florida.

Kirkman, who serves as an executive producer on the show, promised the third season, which will be split in half, will feature some surprises that even the most die-hard *Walking Dead* fans won't see coming. (The series has continually veered from the source material, whether it's drawing out story lines or killing off characters earlier than in the comics.)

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Paul Shaffer to host Canada's Walk of Fame awards show

Paul Shaffer is no stranger to the spotlight — the 62-year-old musician and actor has spent the better part of the last 37 years on our televisions, first with *Saturday Night Live* and since 1982, as David Letterman's musical director and side-kick.

But in a rare turn Sunday, Shaffer will be the sole person in that spotlight as host of the 2012 Canada's Walk of Fame Awards Show.

"I'm thrilled about it," he says, sitting backstage at the Ed Mirvish Theatre, prior to the show's taping last month. He was asked through friend Randy Bachman, if he'd come up to Toronto to induct the singer-guitarist. When Global TV found out, they asked if Shaffer would host the whole shebang.

Shaffer himself was inducted back in 2006. He calls the Walk, located at King and Simcoe Streets in Toronto, an important validation. "You're being honoured by your countrymen," he says. "When I left Canada in the early 70s, you kind of had to [go to the States] in pop music. There was the Guess Who, Gordon Lightfoot and that was it."

Raised in Thunder Bay, Shaffer moved to Hogtown to attend the University of Toronto, earning a degree in sociology. He "jobbed" around for five years, before landing in a local production of *Godspell*. After performing in the Saturday

R&B love

Shaffer makes no secret of his love of R&B — the house band he leads at the Ed Sullivan theatre is modeled after an instrumental R&B group. He even keeps a Hammond B-3 organ that once belonged to James Brown in his New York loft. "It's so funky it almost plays itself," he jokes. Shaffer had the opportunity to meet the Godfather of Soul on several occasions whenever Brown dropped by to perform on Letterman. "Every time was an education for me," he admits. "He invented so much of the stuff that we're still dancing to today. Those experiences were some of my favourites."

Night Live band for five years, he worked as a session musician until meeting Letterman.

Shaffer is regularly tapped to act as musical director for productions like the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame induction ceremony, backing a who's who of musicians and stars. You have to check your ego," he says of these events. "It's the first thing to go.

"Their face is going to be on camera after all... you can't tell them how to do the number, they're going to tell you."

Canada's Walk of Fame airs Sunday, Oct. 14 at 8 p.m. on Global. **IAN GORMELY**



Paul Shaffer. HANDOUT

TV picks

More spooky October and cheap travel eats this week on TV

Back-to-back Stephen King movies set the tone for a suitably spooky October. First on Friday there's the 1983 car flick *Christine*, in which a 1958 Plymouth Fury takes on a life of its own. That's followed by 1989's *Pet Sematary*, where bad things happen thanks to a pet cemetery built on an ancient American Indian burial ground. (AMC)

The new series \$24 in 24 fits nicely into that ever-popular genre of travel eating. The premise here is to explain just how a food junkie can spend only \$24 total on breakfast, lunch and dinner in cities across the United States. On Friday, "the sandwich king" Jeff Mauro travels to Chicago to find cheap eats and delicious deals. (*Food Network Canada*)

W5 host Lloyd Robertson turns the camera on himself to discuss his life and career, which are also detailed in his new book, *The Kind Of Life It's Been*. Saturday night's



Ken Leeds (Geoff Gustafson), left, Angelika Finch (Miranda Frigon), Dylan Weir (Sara Canning), Evan Cross (Niall Matter) Mac Rendell (Danny Rahim), Toby Nance (Crystal Lowe). HANDOUT

New World not a new genre for leading man Niall Matter

Sci-fi drama. *Primeval: New World* premieres Oct. 29

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Dealing with all creatures great and small takes on a whole new meaning in *SPACE's* upcoming sci-fi drama *Primeval: New World*. A spin-off of the UK series *Primeval*, it follows a team of Vancouver-based scientists that investigates "Anomalies" or rips in time that allow prehistoric creatures to cross over into the present.

Having played Zane Donovan on *Eureka*, Niall Matter felt he might make a good

fit as *New World's* leading man, software genius Evan Cross.

"This is a genre I'm pretty familiar with now, and I hoped that I would have a following from *Eureka* coming over with me because sci-fi fans are so loyal," he says. "Stepping into a lead role and playing a bit of an action hero were things I was very interested in doing, so this opportunity came along at the perfect time."

Working with Evan to capture and try to return these unwanted interlopers home is Sara Canning's character of predator control officer Dylan Weir.

"The very first scene we shot for the series is where Evan and Dylan meet for the first time, and without spoiling it, there's something off

in the distance that doesn't necessarily sound like a grizzly bear," says the actress with a chuckle.

Actor Danny Rahim, who plays firearms expert Mac Rendell, sees his character as the viewers' eyes and ears.

"This is a bizarre world where dinosaurs are walking around Vancouver, and as the sort of realist, Mac is like, 'Is that what I thought it was?'" says Rahim. "That's where I hope fans will engage with and relate to him."

Evan's colleagues also include business/financial whiz Angelika "Ange" Finch (Miranda Frigon), who runs his company, Cross Photonics, and Toby Nance (Crystal Lowe), the techie responsible for building the team's Anomaly-busting gadgets.

"The biggest challenge

with my character is trying to show all the human colors and not just the 'bitchy' boss lady," says Frigon. "You have to reveal what's underneath for people to realize, 'Oh, she does have a heart.'"

Lowe recalls, "I'd never played a techie before and I remember at the start asking Niall, 'Oh, God, when does this get easier?' because he'd done all that tech stuff on *Eureka*. He said, 'Don't stress; by episode five you'll be fine,' and he was exactly right."

Rounding out the team is government liaison Lt. Ken Leeds, played by Geoff Gustafson.

"Poor Ken is the least trusted one on the show. Is that warranted? You'll have to watch and see," says the actor.

episode also takes a look at a Canadian community destroyed by prescription drug use. (CTV)

Up All Night star Christina Applegate hosts *Saturday Night Live* while Massachusetts electropop group Passion Pit perform. Applegate's appearance comes as she helps raise money during Breast Cancer Awareness month for her Right Action for Women charity. It's a cause that's close to the 40-year-old Applegate, who underwent a double mastectomy after being diagnosed with breast cancer in 2006. (Global, NBC)

Forty years after defeating the Soviet Union at the 1972 Summit Series, Canada's beloved hockey squad — which featured Phil Esposito and Ken Dryden as well as Paul Henderson, who scored the series' decisive goal — was honoured with a star on Canada's Walk of Fame, and the star-studded event is being televised Sunday. The gala, hosted by *Late Show* With David Letterman sidekick Paul Shaffer, also honours Vancouver-based chanteuse Sarah McLachlan, Winnipeg guitar wizard Randy Bachman and late funnyman Phil Hartman. (Global)

The *Good Wife* already featured Emmy winners Julianna Margulies, Christine Baranski, Archie Panjabi and nominee Alan Cumming, and this season the show has welcomed two-time Tony winner and three-time Emmy nominee Nathan Lane to its stacked cast. In Sunday's episode of the reliably well-acted legal drama, Will and Alicia represent an Internet startup in a lawsuit against a search engine while Eli tries to avoid a scandal for Peter's campaign. (Global, CBS)

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Nathan Lane in *The Good Wife*.

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Grey's star McKidd reflects on how far he has come



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"I can't believe I had to come all the way to New York to get a glass of Macallan," proclaimed actor Kevin McKidd's extremely Scottish father Neil on Wednesday night. He was sipping the scotch whisky at a party celebrating a new creative campaign between his son, photographer Annie Leibovitz and Macallan.

It was a good crack by the elder McKidd. He and his wife, Kathleen, raised Kevin in Elgin, which is just a few miles away from the Macallan distillery, where the actor worked as a teenager. "I was literally the guy who swept up all the crap and did all the crap jobs," recounted Kevin, who is probably most famous for portraying Dr. Owen Hunt (a.k.a. McKrugged) on Grey's Anatomy. "I was the hired hand holding all the rubbish."

And now he's being photographed by Leibovitz for the Macallan Masters of Photography campaign, which is comprised of 1,000 limited edition bottles featuring various portraits of McKidd. "It's extremely surreal," he said.



Robert Pattinson

Pattinson seen with mystery girl on night out

Despite reports of a reconciliation between Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart, the British Twilight star was recently enjoying the company of another woman, according to the Daily Mail.

Pattinson and some pals hit up a New York City nightclub earlier this week, though the actor spent most of the night getting cosy with a mystery blonde. "He had his arm around (the girl)

at one point, and they chatted for most of the night," a source says.

"They looked like they were having a great time, and the girl was making him laugh a lot."

Lohan says mom taking cocaine



Lindsay Lohan
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More details are coming to light about Lindsay Lohan's early-morning spat with mom Dina Lohan now that audio from a call Lindsay placed to dad Michael Lohan has been obtained by TMZ. "Dad, she's on cocaine," Lohan yells on the call. "She's, like, touching her neck and s---. She's saying disgusting things to me ... I'm dead to her now." Throughout the call, Lindsay also stops to yell at her mom, "This is what you do. You ruin people." Michael eventually called the police, who intervened outside the family's Long Island home.

Bieber's 'personal' footage, items stolen



Justin Bieber

Justin Bieber had his computer and camera stolen from backstage during a tour stop in Washington state this week, he announced on Twitter.

"Yesterday during the show me and my tour manager Josh had some stuff stolen. Really sucks. People should respect other's property," he posted.

"I had a lot of personal footage on that computer and camera and that is what bothers me the most."

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30 min gym, 10km bike ride to set. Bike paths all, V.Cool NYC. Manhattan Bridge today. I love that bridge, superior engineering. Gorgeous lines.

SOY DIJON GLAZED PORK TENDERLOIN WITH ROSEMARY CRANBERRY SAUCE

In honour of Passion For Pork's Calgary Restaurant week, here is a deliciously simple fall recipe for pork tenderloin.

For other great recipes, tips on how to cook pork perfectly, and more, head to PassionForPork.com.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

PORK TENDERLOIN:

- 2 cloves garlic (minced)
- 2 tbsp soy sauce
- 2 tbsp grainy dijon mustard
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- salt and pepper
- 1 2-pound pork tenderloin

CRANBERRY SAUCE:

- 3 cups cranberries (fresh or frozen)
- 1 clove garlic
- ¼ cup cane sugar
- ¼ cup water
- 1 tbsp balsamic vinegar
- ½ tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 tbsp fresh rosemary
- salt and pepper

CRANBERRY SAUCE DIRECTIONS:

1 Place the first 4 ingredients into a small pot and let come to a boil on medium-high heat. Reduce to low heat and let simmer until the berries begin to break down, about 5 minutes. Stir in the next 4 ingredients and let the mixture continue to cook until it begins to thicken, about 6-8 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool slightly.

2 Place contents of pot into a food processor or blender, along with the fresh rosemary and lemon zest. Season with salt and pepper and puree until smooth. Spoon out into a serving bowl or container and set aside until ready to serve.

3 Serve warm or chilled. Will keep in the refrigerator for up to a week. Yields 2½ cups sauce. Total cook time: 15 minutes.

PORK TENDERLOIN DIRECTIONS:

1 Whisk together the first four ingredients in a small bowl. Season mixture with salt and pepper and pour



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over pork roast. Let sit in the fridge for several hours to marinate (over night is ideal).

2 When ready to cook. Preheat oven to 350 F. Remove pork tenderloin and let come close to room temperature (about 15 minutes). Remove from marinade and sear in a hot pan on all sides until browned, about 1 minute per side.

Place into a prepared baking dish and let cook in the oven for 30 minutes.

3 When your tenderloin has reached its desired internal temperature, remove from oven and let sit for 5 minutes before slicing. Slice thinly and top with rosemary cranberry sauce. Serve with roasted potatoes and carrots. Serves 4-5. Total cook time: 1 hour.

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As my summer worshipping friends shed a tear for the recent passing of the seasonal torch, I'm reveling in fall.

I mean, what's not to love about autumn? There's the incredible colours, me rocking my jacket collection on cool, crisp afternoons, Halloween and, of course, a chance to match rustic wines with the harvested bounty — thanks to my local food growers.

While I hate liquid pigeonholing, once in a while you have to look deep into your glass and admit that some wines just seem to taste better at certain times of the year.

A textbook example are the reds from Italy's Chianti region in Tuscany.

The sangiovese grape calls the area home and its combination of bright violet aromatics and ripe plum/cherry fruit flavours has an earthy charm that speaks to fall's essence.

The Ruffino Chianti DOCG (\$14.95 - \$17.99) is a straightforward version that's been a mainstay of Italian restos since the 1970s. The current 2011 edition is soft and supple with a plump, dark berry personality that makes a perfect partner to light stews, roasted poultry, tomato-based pasta sauces and, of course, pizza.

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Eight different ways to fall for food

Fall food in Canada is distinct in its ability to comfort and inspire. Across the country, there are trends that are cosy, warming and just what old man winter ordered. The theme this year seems to be low brow, peasant, artisanal and South American/Mexican. Real, honest, earthy and tasty takes the cupcake.

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Anything Taco

Tacos are huge! Fish tacos, bison tacos, Mexican seasonings or more fusion esoteric flavours abound. If it is wrapped in a corn or wheat tortilla, it is cool. If it has slaw or pickles, it is over the moon, super cool. The newest versions have soft corn tacos rather than the envelope ones that your mom made, which leaked and cracked and drizzled meat juice all down your arm. Nowadays, you really ought to eat this art with a fork.



Grilled Cheese

Any way you slice it, the classic standby has become a shining example of gourmet. Mixing cheeses with condiments, meats with pickles, thick breads and thin is very au courant. And if you can get your grilled cheese from a food truck, well, aren't you the cat's meow?



Ethnic Condiments

The more authentic the condiment, the better! You've never had such fun mixing Indian Raita with spicy Mexican food or garlicky chimichurri with sheep's milk brie on baguette. Chutneys of all shapes and flavours as well as harissa and other flavourful pastes make a meal sing.

Cupcakes

These wee treaties are not going away. A cake is too much of a commitment but a cupcake can cheer you up in a few bites and not leave eight more pieces in the kitchen to call your name. Apples, baked, caramelized or stewed are also making a comeback and if you find a cupcake containing those flavours, buy it!



Dolce De Leche

Literally "sweet milk," this Portuguese simmered and caramelized milk has taken over menus. Its creamy, smooth, uber sweetness graces everything from chocolate cake to churros these days — and with good reason.

Food Trucks

Cities are figuring out zoning to allow these restaurants on wheels to work their magic. Chefs are cooking up a storm of everything but burgers and fries. Deep fryers aren't standard equipment but creativity and "fresh is best" attitudes are.

Eggs

They are back as a humble fried ingredient. Duck, chicken, quail, vitamin D fortified, it doesn't matter. Their simple beauty has always been the bailiwick of chefs. But the egg's honesty may have seemed too understated for their menus. Now it's just what's needed — solid food.

Artisan Cheese

Isn't it a dream that every foodie has? To milk a goat, figure out how to make that milk into delicious cheese and enjoy it for the year? Luckily, enough folks have ditched city life for a farm to do just that in enough quantities to share.

Grilled Cheese Upgrade. Put the trends to good use

1. Preheat a cast iron skillet to medium-high and butter one side of each piece of bread.

2. Place two slices face down into skillet, top with cheese and

a dollop of chutney, cover with second slice, butter side out.

3. Flip once and allow cheese to melt.

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- 4 slices 100% Rye bread
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- 2 tbsp mango chutney
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Asparagus Cappellacci: Where easy meets elegant

Serve this easy and elegant dish at your next buffet dinner and your guests will be coming back for seconds. It boasts a sensational lemon butter sauce.

1. In medium saucepan of boiling salted water, cook the Asparagus Cappellacci pasta for about 5 minutes or until tender; drain.

2. Meanwhile, in a large non-

Ingredients

- 1 pkg (250 g) PC Black Label Asparagus Cappellacci Pasta
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) unsalted butter
- 2 small Portobello mushrooms (or 1 large), sliced in 3/4-inch (2 cm) thick pieces
- 25 ml (2 tbsp) fresh lemon juice
- 2 green onions, thinly sliced on diagonal
- Pinch of salt
- Pinch of freshly ground black pepper
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) shaved parmigiano reggiano



This recipe serves three. NEWS CANADA

stick frying pan, melt 2 tbsp (25 ml) of the butter over medium-high heat. Add Portobello mushrooms; cook, stirring for about 3 minutes or until browned. Transfer to plate.

3. Add remaining 2 tbsp (25 ml) butter to same pan, swirling to coat. Add lemon juice, slices of green onions and reserved pasta. Using tongs, turn over gently to just coat with

sauce. Top with mushrooms and divide among three plates; sprinkle with salt, pepper and parmigiano reggiano shavings.

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Mushroom Fettuccine. Use different pestos



Instead of basil pesto, try using sun-dried tomato or mint pesto for variety in this quick dish.

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Ingredients

- 375 g (12 oz) dry fettuccine, cooked and drained
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 500 g (1 lb) sliced fresh mushrooms
- 250 ml (1 cup) chopped red onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) prepared basil pesto sauce
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) salt
- Grated Parmesan cheese (optional)
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) toasted pine nuts or chopped walnuts

1. Cook fettuccine according to package directions.

2. Meanwhile, in skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Sauté mushrooms and onions 5 minutes or until lightly browned. Reduce heat and stir in garlic, pesto and salt; heat until warm.

3. Add drained hot pasta and toss to coat well; taste and add a little more salt if not garnishing with Parmesan. Serve hot or at room temperature. Garnish with cheese, if desired, and pine nuts. THE CANADIAN PRESS/

Mushroom Pot Stickers. Traditional vegetarian dumplings

This tasty take on the traditional dumpling uses a combination of mushrooms, black beans, ginger and scallions

topped with creamy almond butter for a punch of flavour.

1. In frying pan, place oil. Over

Ingredients

- 90 ml (6 tbsp) vegetable oil
- 5 shallots, diced
- 4 cloves garlic, diced
- 285 g (10 oz) shiitake mushroom caps, thinly sliced
- 250 ml (1 cup) canned black beans, rinsed
- 75 ml (5 tbsp) pickled ginger, sliced (reserve half for garnish)
- 8 scallions, sliced (reserve half for garnish)
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) chopped cilantro
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) rice wine vinegar
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) dark sesame oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) almond butter, divided
- 1 pkg dumpling wrappers
- Black sesame seeds, garnish
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) teriyaki sauce

medium heat, sweat shallots and garlic until translucent; add mushrooms. Season with salt and pepper; cook until mix is dry, 7 mins. Remove from heat and let mushrooms cool.

2. In bowl, using back of fork, mash beans. Fold in ginger, scallions and cilantro; add rice vinegar, sesame oil. Season with salt and pepper. Once mushrooms cool, fold into bean mix.

3. Spoon 1 ml (1/4 tsp) almond butter onto dumpling wrapper. Top with 15 ml (1 tbsp) of mushroom filling. Wet edges with water, fold over one side and press edges closed. Wet crease with water and crimp



This recipe makes 60 dumplings. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

edges to seal. Continue with remaining wrappers and filling.

4. Bring pot of salted water to boil. Gently boil 12 pieces at a time, 3 minutes or until floating. Remove from water, pat dry and place in hot frying pan with oil and fry on one side

until golden, then turn over and fry other side to brown.

5. Garnish with black sesame seeds, scallions and ginger and drizzle with teriyaki sauce.

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Weird science makes good art

Explore childhood memories, but with a new perspective, at the Glenbow Museum's Fairy Tales, Monsters and the Genetic Imagination exhibit launch party on Oct. 17. The exhibit is inspired by the fantastic stories and characters of myths, fairy tales and science fiction. Starting at 7 p.m., this event will feature music by Born Gold and Kenna Burima, and DJ nRd vs GK; collaborative monster building; and the artistic talents of local artist Mandy Stobo. Make sure to RSVP in advance. glenbow.org.



Alberta Ballet – Othello

Taking the stage at the Jubilee Auditorium (1415 14 Ave. N.W.), this epic production choreographed by Kirk Peterson builds on its namesake Shakespearean tragedy of love, jealousy, deceit, revenge and murder. With lavish sets and exotic costumes inspired by the vibrant colours of Africa, Othello pairs Peterson's highly theatrical and athletic choreography with the music of five-time Academy Award-winning composer Jerry Goldsmith to create rich layers of intent and desire for an unforgettable evening. Runs Oct. 18 to 20. albertaballet.com.



The Alberta Bound Tattoo and Arts Festival

Taking place at The Stampede BMO Centre (1410 Olympic Way S.E.) throughout the weekend, this fest invites those who are inked, and the curious, to come and peruse the vendors and check out some of the most talented artists from around North America. This year will feature Megan Massacre from NY Ink, Dan Smith from LA Ink, Pin Up model Masumi Max, Joe Capobianco, Jime Litwalk, David Corden, Liz Cook, Tautu and many more! Runs Oct. 12 to 14. calgary2012.homestead.com.



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One of over 40 TEDx-City 2.0 events taking place around the globe, this talk on Oct. 13 will focus on the themes that underpin the City 2.0 concept of art, education, food, health, housing, play, public space, and safety, and explores how innovations in these elements can impact the future of our cities. Happening at the John Dutton Theatre, Central Library (616 Macleod Trail S.E., Calgary), the program will feature a mix of live speakers and videos that highlight several of the City 2.0 themes. tedxcalgary.ca/events/city-2-0.

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007 style: It's a white-out

From the spivvy gold-pin bar shirt to the Asian-inspired Nehru, the white shirt is the stalwart of any man's wardrobe, including James Bond. We check out this season's selection of crisp, smart and stylish shirts.

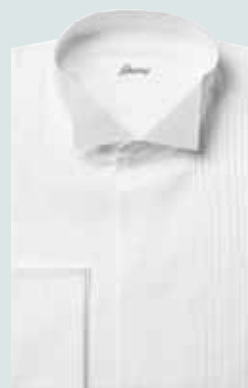
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2. LION FACE PART 2

Release with a roar as you stick out your tongue and widen your eyes. Hold the tongue out and keep your eyes open for at least 10 seconds. Repeat two more times.

Benefits: This tones the whole face and reduces stress.

3. SURPRISE ME

Widen the eyes until you expose the whites completely. Keep the forehead and the rest of the face as neutral as possible. Look to the horizon at eye level and hold the wide eyes for as long as you can. They may water. Then, release and repeat several times.

Benefits: This pose will help remove eye and fore-



head crinkles.

4. BABY BIRD

Take the tip of the tongue to the roof of the mouth, smile and swallow. Repeat at right and left and center angles, careful to not crunch the neck. You may need to drink

water as you will use a lot of saliva.

Benefits: This prevents the neck and chin from sagging by toning the jaw and neck.

5. MARIONETTE

This is good for the nasal labial folds. Press your fingertips

on the levator labii and pulse up and down the muscles while exerting firm fingertip pressure. If you didn't have fingertips on there it would look like a bunny rabbit smelling something. This is a very specific isolation.

Benefits: It helps reduce the deep folds between the

nose and the lips.

6. SMILING BUDDHA FACE

Close your eyes, wipe the face clean by imagining the Buddha's face superimposing over your own like a

Photoshop layer. Consciously smooth the brow, eyes, and nasal labial folds by slightly dragging the corners of the mouth to the earlobes. Relax and hold for about a minute, gradually building this up to several minutes as a meditation.

Benefits: This will reset your facial habits. Most people don't realize they're grimacing and this pose helps offset those line-making expressions.

7. CROW, CROW FLY AWAY

Depress the crow's foot crease with your fingertip. Then wink with your lower eyelid. Use the fingertip pressure to tone the muscles and firm the skin around the orbital bone.

Benefits: It helps get rid of crow's feet. By exercising the muscles around your eyes, you're firming the skin to keep it from folding into itself, which creates wrinkles.

8. SATCHMO

Take in a breath through the nose, puff air from cheek to cheek until you run out. Then do it again about three times.

Benefits: This pose strengthens your cheek muscles and prevents them from becoming thinner and looking hollow.

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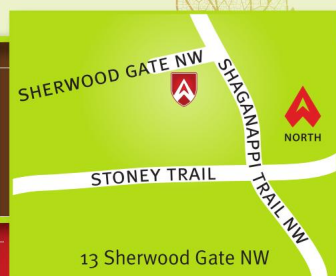
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Sidney sees solution ahead

NHL. Penguins superstar believes lockout won't erase entire season

Sidney Crosby can't even get through a conversation with his grandmother without the topic being raised.

A phone call back to Nova Scotia over Thanksgiving weekend inevitably veered towards the status of the NHL's collective bargaining talks and included the \$3-billion question being asked throughout the hockey world: When will the season start?

"It's all anybody wants to talk about," Crosby said Thursday.

That includes the Penguins captain, who fielded questions from reporters at a practice facility in the suburbs of Pittsburgh. It was a morning he should have been preparing for the season opener — Friday's game against the Islanders was cancelled by the lockout — but instead found himself going through drills with a handful of teammates.

They are the optimistic few who are staying in town with hopes that a settlement will soon be reached and training camp can open. At this point, Crosby isn't even willing to

Wishful thinking

The progress Crosby is hoping for didn't happen this week during two days of meetings between the league and NHLPA in New York.

- The sides broke off talks Thursday afternoon and reported no progress in their ongoing stalemate.

entertain the notion that the work stoppage could threaten the entire season.

"I can't see it getting to that point, I really can't," he told The Canadian Press. "If anything, my thoughts are more just about whether the NHL has a date in mind (for the season to start) and just when they're actually going to start negotiating."

Much of Crosby's optimism is rooted in the growth he's seen since entering the NHL. He was skating in the QMJHL during the 2004-05 lockout and helped propel the sport to new heights when the "new" NHL returned the following season.

"There's a lot of momentum," said Crosby. "I just really hope that the (owners) aren't taking that for granted."

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Sidney Crosby cracks a smile during an informal workout with his Penguins teammates on Thursday in Canonsburg, Pa. KEITH SRAKOCIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Back on the sidelines

Another season cut short

The timing of the current lockout is particularly tough for Crosby, who was limited to just 63 regular-season games the last two seasons because of concussion symptoms.

He's now feeling better than ever — "I've come a long way" — but believes all of the time he spent on the sidelines recently has helped him stay patient during negotiations.

Crosby certainly looked as though he hadn't missed a beat while being put through skating and stickhandling drills by a skills instructor on Thursday.

Crosby said he would consider playing overseas eventually, but likely only if the entire NHL season is cancelled.

"I don't have a date in mind," said Crosby.

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Hart keeps it loose ahead of huge qualifiers



Canadian coach Stephen Hart. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Stephen Hart is as laid-back as they come.

The Trinidadian-born head coach of Canada's men's national soccer team is soft-spoken, thoughtful and measured in dealing with his players and media.

So, ahead of what he's quick to call "the biggest" game of his coaching career, Hart, 52, eschewed a rousing speech in favour of a sports video.

On golf.

"Last night, he showed us a non-soccer video of Tiger

Woods making a shot at the Masters, chipping the ball in," captain Kevin McKenna said Thursday after the final training session ahead of Canada's key World Cup qualifying match against Cuba at BMO Field on Friday night. "It was a good video."

Woods' miraculous shot at the 16th hole en route to winning the 2005 Masters hardly seems the best way to motivate 21 professional soccer players. Then again, neither does cracking jokes in team meetings.

"He comes with a different approach and I think everyone responds to it," McKenna, a central defender, said of the coaching style of Hart.

With two games remaining in this semifinal stage of qualifying for Brazil 2014, Panama (3-1-0) leads the group with nine points. Honduras and Canada (both 2-1-1) are tied with seven points, but Honduras has the edge on goal differential.

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CFL. Running back Boyd looking for a home again

Cory Boyd was the leading rusher in the CFL two months ago.

On Thursday, he found himself unemployed for the second time this season.

The veteran running back was the odd man out in a crowded Edmonton Eskimo backfield and was released by the team along with defensive back Ronnie Prude. It was the end of an underwhelming tenure in Edmonton for Boyd, who was picked up a day after being unexpectedly released by the Toronto Argonauts in August. Expected to provide



Cory Boyd THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

depth to a then injury-plagued backfield, Boyd played four games for Edmonton and had just 18 carries for 76 yards and four catches for 40 yards.

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Bonnar thinks he's the man to dethrone Silva

On paper, popular light-heavyweight Stephan 'American Psycho' Bonnar has little to no chance of beating middleweight champion Anderson 'The Spider' Silva in the main event of UFC 153.

But the 35-year-old Bonnar believes the stars may be aligning in his favour as he looks to pull off the monumental upset over Silva, who is moving up a weight class to fight at 205 pounds.

"I'm a little superstitious, and it's on the 13th," Bonnar

Quoted



Silva on Saturday night in Rio de Janeiro

"I'm this huge underdog in his backyard."

Stephan Bonnar who will fight Anderson

told a news conference Thursday. "There is a lot of stuff with the number 13 going on, and that's a sign for me,

for one. I've got a kid coming, and that to me means I need to do something spectacular. And three, I feel like I'm in a 'Rocky' movie.

The bookies have Silva, seen as the best pound-for-pound MMA fighter on the planet, as a 10-1 to 12-1 favourite.

Bonnar (17-7 including 8-6 in the UFC) and Silva (30-4, 15-0 in the UFC) meet in Saturday's main event at Rio de Janeiro's HSBC Arena.

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Doping. Armstrong tries to carry on after report

Lance Armstrong tried to treat it like any other day.

The world-renowned cyclist was at the office of his cancer-fighting foundation, "talking about next week's events and plans for 2013," he said on Twitter.

But Thursday was different. It was the day after the evidence came out — a voluminous report from the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency that painted him as a drug-using bully at the centre of what the group called the biggest doping conspiracy ever concocted in sports.

The fallout from the agency's version of events, and its raft of supporting documents, started coming down in small bits from friends, foes, supporters and detractors around the globe.

Twitter posts with the "livestrong" hash tag — the name of Armstrong's charitable foundation — seemed to be running about 50-50, from those who thought the USADA report cemented Armstrong as a fraud to those who didn't care and admire him for the millions of dollars he has raised for cancer research.

Either way, there was no denying the impact of the re-

port, which provides USADA's justification for ordering Armstrong's seven Tour de France titles stripped. The weight of 26 witnesses, including 11 teammates, forced people to reach a conclusion about the rider.

"This is as if Mount Everest just showed up in his front yard," said Daniel Coyle, author of Lance Armstrong's War and The Secret Race, which he wrote with Tyler Hamilton, a former teammate and witness against Armstrong.

After cancelling an appearance scheduled in Chicago for Friday, Armstrong visited his foundation headquarters in Austin, Texas, for about 30 minutes in the morning, chatting informally with employees and looking for a place to hang a new painting.

The USADA report did not come up in conversation, foundation spokeswoman Katherine McLane said.

The head of the foundation, Doug Ulman, said he had received several messages of support and Armstrong would carry the banner for the foundation.

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Lance Armstrong at the 2012 Paris Roubaix cycle race in April.

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Golf

Woods defeats McIlroy in Turkey

Tiger Woods beat Rory McIlroy by six strokes Thursday in their first head-to-head match to advance to the semifinals of the World Golf Finals.

McIlroy, the world's top-ranked player, was eliminated from the \$5.2 million US exhibition after losing his third consecutive group match. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Tiger Woods shoots on Thursday in Antalya, Turkey.

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The San Francisco Giants celebrate after they defeated the Cincinnati Reds 6-4 in the decisive Game 5 of the National League division baseball series on Thursday in Cincinnati, Ohio. MICHAEL KEATING/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Giants walk road to mammoth comeback

MLB. San Francisco's confidence surges after taking final three games in Cincinnati to earn spot in NLCS

Buster Posey insisted all along — even after San Francisco lost the first two at home — that his team was far from done, no matter how long the odds.

Turns out, he was right. And the NL batting champion had a lot to do with this most Giant comeback. Posey hit the third grand slam in Giants post-season history on Thursday and San Francisco pulled off an unprecedented revival, moving into the championship series with a 6-4 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

They'll play either Washington or St. Louis for the NL pennant starting Sunday.

Game 5

6

Giants

4

Reds

Playoff misery continues

"You get tired of the disappointments, but then you get over it.... It hurts big-time."

Reds manager Dusty Baker. The Reds haven't won a home playoff game in 17 years. After taking the first two on the West Coast, all they needed was one more at home, where they hadn't dropped three straight all season.

With one swing, Posey made it possible.

"I don't think anybody gave up," he said.

Posey's second career grand slam off Mat Latos put the Giants up 6-0 in the fifth and sparked a joyous scum in the San Francisco dugout. The ball smacked off the front of the upper deck in left field, just above Latos' name on the video board.

"That gave us some breathing room," reliever Jeremy Affeldt said. "We were all excited."

Matt Cain and the bullpen held on with more help from

Posey. The all-star catcher threw out Jay Bruce at third base to snuff out a sixth-inning rally that cut it to 6-3. The Giants also had a pair of diving catches that preserved the lead in the eighth.

Ryan Ludwick singled home a run in the ninth off Sergio Romo. With two runners aboard, Romo fanned Scott Rolen to end it. The Giants raised their arms, hugged and huddled by the side of the mound, bouncing in unison.

Then they were off to the visiting clubhouse to start spraying some bubbly.

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Walk-off homer Werth the wait

Game 5

The best-of-five series will end Friday night in Washington, with the winner advancing to face the San Francisco Giants in the NL championship series.

The Washington Nationals signed Jayson Werth to show them how to win. His game-ending homer Thursday night extended their surprising season.

Werth led off the bottom of the ninth inning by driving Lance Lynn's 13th pitch into the left-field stands to give the Nationals a 2-1 victory over the defending World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals and force a Game 5 in their NL division series.

As he circled the bases, Werth raised his right index finger in a "No. 1" gesture,



Jayson Werth points to the dugout after his game-winning home run Thursday in Washington.

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while the announced crowd of 44,392 roared. The other Nationals raced out of the dugout to greet Werth, who tossed his red batting helmet high in the air before jumping on home plate and being enveloped by a

bouncing collection of thrilled teammates.

"It's what you play all season for and what you work out all winter for and what you get to spring training early for," Werth said. "We have a chance tomorrow to take that next step. I know my teammates will be ready and the city will, too."

The homer was Werth's first with the Nationals but 14th of his career in the post-season. He won the 2008 World Series and moved to Washington as a free agent before last season on a \$126 million US contract.

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Are Riders fans as cuckoo as documentary says? Lions still looking like the class of Canadian football; Stamps might be missing Burris

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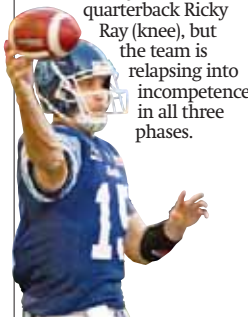


Not representing Riderville

The 13th Man feature on TSN has everyone talking, with many critics giving the show a "thumbs down." The problem? Some feel the one-hour special painted Riders fans as a little off-kilter: There are fanatics for whom it's more than just a game, but not all Rider Rooters paint the logo on their garage door or wear their Darian Durant jersey to Cancun in February. As for the young journalist who was quoted saying, "There's nothing else here..." Ouch!

Geography aiding inept Argonauts

The Argos proved again this week they are merely a .500 team and shouldn't compete for the Grey Cup ... except the entire East Division sucks and Toronto still has a chance to finish first. Yes, they miss veteran quarterback Ricky Ray (knee), but the team is relapsing into incompetence in all three phases.



No denying power of Lions

We're seeing again why the Lions are Grey Cup champs and favourites to repeat in 2012. To win it all last season after an 0-5 start and now, beating Calgary in a first-place showdown without three key injured players, proves this club is special. Head coach Mike Benevides calls it "DNA", something the club has developed by overcoming obstacles. The Lions are 21-5 since that woeful start last season.

Glenn's play has Stamps worried

The Stamps have to be counting on Drew Tate's return before the end of the season. While Kevin Glenn has performed well in 12 straight games for Calgary, he stunk against B.C. last week, leaving many to wonder if Calgary can get out of the West without a more dynamic pivot. You have to believe Stamps brass was thinking the same thing after they disposed of Henry Burris.



Bombers have to go with hot hand in Elliot

No matter how good Buck Pierce is feeling, the team just has to start QB Joey Elliott this week against Calgary. After a three-TD performance last week in Montreal, and with Pierce still recovering from a concussion, Elliott deserves another chance to not only start, but play a complete game — something Pierce rarely does.

Burris's season being buried

It's laughable to think QB Henry Burris has passed for more than 4,000 yards and 34 TDs, numbers good enough to rewrite the Ticats record books, but the team could miss the playoffs. Even though the Tabbies defence has been putrid, having surrendered more than 30 points nine times this season, Burris is taking the heat.



CFL

Bombers to face Stamps without starter Pierce

The Winnipeg Blue Bombers will open their final four-game push for post-season life without quarterback Buck Pierce.

Coach Tim Burke said Thursday the doctors decided Pierce was still not fit to return to the field after he received a concussion in a game against the Toronto Argonauts on Sept. 29.

Burke said he has no firm idea when Pierce might get the nod.

"I don't. I'm hoping he will, soon," said the interim head coach, who will go with backup Joey Elliott when the Calgary Stampeders visit Saturday.

The Bombers (4-10) lost 44-3 to the Stampeders (8-6) when they met last month.

But Elliott now has two wins under his belt this season subbing for Pierce, including Monday's 27-22 upset in Montreal. He also posted an earlier victory over the Ticats, when Pierce was out with an injured foot from July to September. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

CFL

Cobourne shocked by lack of urgency in Hamilton

The Hamilton Tiger-Cats' next game is pivotal for their playoff hopes, but Avon Cobourne was wondering out loud Thursday if many of his teammates fully understood that fact.

The Ticats host the league-leading B.C. Lions on Friday night fighting for their post-season lives. Hamilton (5-9) is third in the East Division two points ahead of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, but trails the Edmonton Eskimos (6-8) in the crossover battle for the third and final post-season spot in the Eastern conference.

Cobourne felt some of his teammates didn't have their minds firmly set on the task at hand during Hamilton's walkthrough.

"It's a big game and to be honest, I don't think we were as focused as we needed to be today as important as this game is," the veteran running back said candidly. "It was shocking to me."

"It's a serious game for us and I don't know how serious most guys are about it. It's a big game and I feel like we should win the game if we play well. They're missing a lot of key players, which opens up opportunities for us."

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Sarah Vaillancourt, left, and Tessa Bonhomme of Canada celebrate with their gold medals at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. On Thursday, Hockey Canada and the federal government announced a \$500,000 funding commitment for the 2013 IIHF Women's hockey championship in Ottawa. HARRY HOW/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Women's hockey finals get financial boost from Ottawa

World Championship. Hockey Canada and federal government earmark \$500,000 for IIHF tournament.

Tessa Bonhomme already expected great things from the 2013 IIHF Ice Hockey Women's World Championship.

After learning of the federal government's financial support, she is absolutely convinced of the tournament's success.

Minister of State Bal Gosal announced Thursday that Sport Canada will provide \$500,000 in funding for the World Championship taking place in Ottawa April 2-9, 2013. The announcement was made at a joint press conference held by Hockey Canada, the City of Ottawa and the federal government.

"Today, on International Day of the Girl, the Harper Government is pleased to announce support for an event that will offer our Canadian women athletes the opportunity to compete against some of the world's best on home soil as they continue to be a huge inspiration to a younger generation of hockey players," Gosal said.

"Hosting the 2013 IIHF

Ice Hockey Women's World Championship will not only provide an economic boost to the Ottawa region, it will also demonstrate that Canada is truly a leading sport nation."

News of the funding came as a welcome announcement. "My jaw hit the floor (when I read about it)," said Bonhomme, a member of Canada's national women's team. "I was ecstatic. It's always nice to see people backing female sport, but also our tournament. I always thought it was going to be a great event, but to have this extra backing now I know it's going to be mind blowing and I can't wait to see what's going to be coming of it."

Bonhomme is hopeful to be part of the roster for the World Championships as she has experienced first-hand the hospitality of Ottawa hockey fans. The 27-year-old was part of the team who played in Ottawa on New Year's Day in 2010 when a record-breaking crowd of 16,347 fans watched Canada defeat the United States 3-2 in a shootout.

Ottawa was the site of the inaugural women's tournament in 1990.

"From the beginning, in 1990, Ottawa has supported women's hockey," Bonhomme said. "It's unbelievable to see how much you guys truly embrace the sport."

Bigger and better

Organizers are already projecting attendance records for the tournament.

- **Targets.** They are hoping for 200,000 in total attendance while expecting the event to generate \$30 million in economic activity for the city of Ottawa.
- **New benchmarks.** If the projections are achieved the totals would surpass the attendance record for the 2007 IIHF finals in Winnipeg and the \$29-million in economic activity Ottawa enjoyed for the 2012 NHL All-Star weekend.

Organizers also unveiled the slogan for the upcoming tournament — "Don't Miss the Moment."

"It says 'Don't Miss the Moment' and I don't think (people in Ottawa) will," Bonhomme said.

"Ottawa is one of the best cities to be hosting this event and I hope to continue to train hard and make the team so I can come here and experience it with all the other girls."

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Heat handle Clippers in China exhibition

Miami Heat guard Dwyane Wade, left, goes up for a shot against Los Angeles Clippers Ronnie Turiaf and Eric Bledsoe during an NBA pre-season game on Thursday at Wukesong arena in Beijing. LeBron James scored 20 points, and the Heat beat the Clippers 94-80. Blake Griffin led the Clippers with 19 points and eight rebounds. Wade, playing in his first pre-season game after surgery on his left knee, shot just 2 for 9, finishing with five points. ANDY WONG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Raptors coach Casey has hands full with Valanciunas

NBA. Rookie centre has some way to go before being dominant, but fans' expectations for him are high

Dwane Casey has to manage a lot with rookie Jonas Valanciunas: Watching carefully over the youngster's minutes, his role on the floor and the matchups Valanciunas is presented with in every game.

And expectations. Large expectations for the 20-year-old seven-footer viewed as a vital piece of what management sees as a promising future for a team that wants to establish legitimacy in the NBA's Eastern Conference after four straight playoff-free seasons.

It's not likely to be easy. "Expectations are really high for the young man and probably unrealistic right now because he's been out so long," Casey said before Valanciunas made his NBA debut this week. Things are not likely to ease,



Raptors centre Jonas Valanciunas, left, and Jose Calderon, defend against Pistons guard Rodney Stuckey Wednesday in Auburn Hills, Mich. PAUL SANCYA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

either. After missing a week of training camp in Halifax and the team's first home pre-season game, Valanciunas is expected to play Friday night at the Air Canada Centre against the Detroit Pistons, adding some juice to what would normally be a ho-hum exhibition game that should be used for nothing more than preparation

for the coming season.

But there will be some semblance of "event" to the game, simply because fans are anxious to see live a kid they waited the entire 2011 season to see.

When Valanciunas was drafted, and before he spent last season at home in Lithuania, he was talked up as not a saviour, but as an excellent young player with great promise.

Almost 16 months of build-up later, the fans' thirst will be satiated Friday night and they will be looking for big things.

It's unlikely they'll get them — Valanciunas isn't yet anywhere close to dominating the highlight reels or any specific game — but it doesn't mean the expectations will ease.

"The fans' expectations are going to be there no matter what I do," said Casey. "All I can do is coach him hard, coach him in the things he can do and the things that he can control ... don't put pressure on him as far as point production and things that he's not going to be able to do right now."

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Struggling Packers not ready to hit the panic button

NFL. Green Bay plays Houston Texans Sunday in what some see as must-win game

The defence is giving up big chunks of yardage — again. Injuries are piling up. Even the offence, which has carried the Green Bay Packers the last two years, is suspect.

A year after opening the season 13-0, the Packers are in danger of letting the season get away from them. At 2-3 (yes, that includes that loss in Seattle that wasn't really a loss), they face something of a must-win game Sunday night when they play the unbeaten Houston Texans.

"It's a bit too early" to say that, defensive tackle B.J. Raji said. "A lot of the talk — people are used to seeing us win, and they're never used



Aaron Rodgers GETTY IMAGES FILE

to seeing us in this position. It's just human for most people to think it's a must-win game.

"It's a big one," Raji added. "We want to have it, and hopefully we can come out with something good."

The Packers' early struggles may seem like a shock,

coming just two years after their Super Bowl run and on the heels of last year's 15-1 regular-season record.

But Green Bay has lost five of its last nine games dating back to last season and, if you look closely, signs were there that trouble was coming.

Unlike last year, when Green Bay could count on Aaron Rodgers and Co. making up for any defensive flaws, the Packers have yet to find their groove. They're averaging just 5.2 yards per play. They haven't had a 100-yard receiver or rusher yet. The 21 sacks allowed are more than any NFL team besides Arizona.

Even Rodgers acknowledges he's not playing as well as he could or should be.

"I just have to do things I know I'm capable of doing on Sundays," he said.

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Mid-air combat

Tennessee Titans cornerback Jason McCourty, right, intercepts a pass against the Pittsburgh Steelers Thursday in Nashville, Tenn. For the results from last night's game, visit metronews.ca/sports.

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NFL

Vick says he got his family a dog

Michael Vick is a dog owner again.

Vick, who served 18 months in federal prison on dogfighting charges, confirmed Thursday that his family has a dog. The Philadelphia Eagles' four-time Pro Bowl quarterback refused to discuss the topic just a day earlier.

"I understand the strong emotions by some people about our family's decision to care for a pet," Vick said in a statement. "As a father, it is important to make sure my children develop a healthy relationship with animals. I want to ensure that my children establish a loving bond and treat all of God's creatures with kindness and respect. Our pet is well cared for and loved as a member of our family."

Since his release from prison in 2009, Vick has worked with The Humane Society of the United States to speak out against animal cruelty. He's made appearances at schools and spoken to students about the dangers of being involved in dogfighting. Vick says that commitment will continue. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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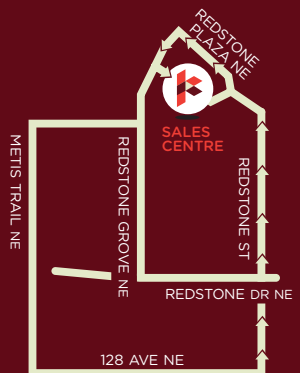
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(Series tied 2-2)

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St. Louis 8 Washington 0

Monday's result

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CINCINNATI VS. SAN FRANCISCO

(San Francisco wins series 3-2)

Thursday's result

San Francisco 6 Cincinnati 4

Wednesday's result

San Francisco 8 Cincinnati 3

Tuesday's result

San Francisco 2 Cincinnati 1 (10 innings)

x — played only if necessary.

HOCKEY

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday's games — All Times Eastern

Milwaukee at Grand Rapids, 7 p.m.

Syracuse at Rochester, 7:05 p.m.

Manchester at Providence, 7:05 p.m.

Worcester at Norfolk, 7:30 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Lake Erie, 7:30 p.m.

Bridgeport at Connecticut, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

Oklahoma City at Lake Erie, 1 p.m.

Rochester at Toronto, 5 p.m.

Manchester at Albany, 5:05 p.m.

Portland at Adirondack, 7 p.m.

Hamilton at Grand Rapids, 7 p.m.

St. John's at Springfield, 7 p.m.

Providence at Bridgeport, 7 p.m.

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.

Worcester at Norfolk, 7:15 p.m.

Hershey at Syracuse, 7:30 p.m.

Texas at San Antonio, 8 p.m.

Rockford at Chicago, 8 p.m.

Charlotte at Houston, 8:05 p.m.

Peoria at Abbotsford, 10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

GIANTS 6, REDS 4

San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi	Cincinnati	ab	r	h	bi
Pagan cf	5	1	0	1	Phillips 2b	5	0	2	2
Scutaro 2b	4	1	1	0	Cozart ss	4	1	1	0
Sandoval 3b	4	1	2	0	Votto 1b	4	0	2	0
Arias 3b	0	0	0	0	Ludwick lf	5	1	2	2
Posey c	4	1	1	4	Bruce rf	4	0	1	0
Pence rf	4	0	2	0	Rolen 3b	5	0	2	0
Belt 1b	4	0	0	0	Hanigan c	3	1	0	0
Blanco lf	4	1	1	0	Stubbs cf	3	1	1	0
Crawford ss	4	1	2	1	Frazier ph	1	0	1	0
Nady lf	1	0	0	0	Valdez cf	0	0	0	0
					Heisey ph	1	0	0	0
					Paul ph	1	0	0	0
					Navarro ph	1	0	0	0

Totals	34	6	9	6	Totals	37	4	12	4
San Francisco					000	060	000	—	4
Cincinnati					000	021	001	—	4

E—Sandoval, Cozart. LOB—Cincinnati 11,

San Francisco 5. DP—San Francisco 2.

2B—Phillips (3), 3B—Crawford (1).

HR—Ludwick (3), Posey (2), SB—Pence (1).

San Francisco IP H R ER BB SO

Cain W, 1-1 5-2-3 6 3 3 2 5

Kontos H, 1 1-3 0 0 0 0 0

Affeldt H, 1 1 2 0 0 0 1

Lopez H, 1 1-3 0 0 0 0 0

Casilla H, 1 1-3 0 0 0 0 0

Romo S, 1 1-1-3 2 1 1 1 1

Cincinnati

Latos L, 0-1 4-1-3 7 6 5 1 4

Lecure 2-3 0 0 0 0 0 1

Marshall 2 0 0 0 0 0 2

Broxton 1 1 0 0 0 0 0

Chapman 1 1 0 0 0 0 0

HBP — Hanigan.

Umpires — Home, Tom Hallion; First, Chad

Fairchild; Second, Phil Cuzzi; Third, Brian

O'Nora.

T — 3:52. A — 44,142 (42,319) at Cincinnati.

NATIONALS 2, CARDINALS 1

St. Louis	ab	r	h	bi	Washington	ab	r	h	bi
Jay cf	4	0	0	0	Werth rf	4	1	1	1
Beltran rf	3	0	0	1	Harper cf	3	0	0	0
Holliday lf	4	0	0	0	Zimmerman 3b	3	0	1	0
Craig 1b	3	0	2	0	Laroche 1b	2	1	1	1
Molina c	4	0	0	0	Morse lf	3	0	0	0
Freese 3b	3	0	1	0	Desmond ss	3	0	0	0
Descalso 2b	4	0	0	0	Espinosa 2b	3	0	0	0
Kozma ss	1	1	0	0	Suzuki c	2	0	0	0
Carpenter ph	1	0	0	0	Lombardozzi ph	1	0	0	0
					Tracy ph	1	0	0	0

Totals	27	1	3	1	Totals	25	2	8	3
St. Louis					001	000	000	—	1
Washington					010	000	001	—	2

E—Desmond. LOB—St. Louis 8, Washington

2. DP—St. Louis 1. HR—Werth (1); Laroche

(2). S—Lohse. SF—Beltran.

St. Louis IP H R ER BB SO

Lohse 7 2 1 1 1 5

Boggs 1 0 0 0 0 1

Lynn L, 1-1 0 1 1 0 0 0

Washington

Detwiler 6 3 1 0 3 2

Zimmermann 1 0 0 0 0 3

Clippard 1 0 0 0 1 3

Storen W, 1-0 1 0 0 0 1 2

Lynn pitched to 1 batter in the 9th

Umpires — Home, Jim Joyce; First, Alfonso

Marquez; Second, Ed Hickox; Third, Paul

Emmel.

T — 2:55. A — 44,392 (41,487) at Washington.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-Kansas City	17	7	8	59	40	26
x-Chicago	17	10	5	56	45	39
D.C.	16	10	6	54	49	40
New York	15	9	8	53	54	46
Houston	13	8	11	50	45	38
Columbus	14	11	7	49	40	40
Montreal	12	15	5	41	45	50
Philadelphia	10	15	6	36	35	37
New England	7	17	8	29	37	44
Toronto	5	20	7	22	35	60

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
x-San Jose	19	6	7	64	69	40
x-Real Salt Lake	17	11	4	55	46	35
x-Seattle	14	7	10	52	48	31
x-Los Angeles	15	12	5	50	56	45
Vancouver	11	12	9	42	35	40
Dallas	9	19	11	38	39	42
Colorado	9	14	11	31	40	50
Portland	7	16	9	30	32	55
Chivas USA	7	17	8	29	22	54

x — clinched playoff berth.

Wednesday Oct. 17th — All Times Eastern

Real Salt Lake at Seattle, 11 p.m.

Saturday Oct. 20th

Montreal at Toronto, 1:30 p.m.

Kansas City at New York, 7 p.m.

Columbus at D.C., 7:30 p.m.

Chicago at New England, 7:30 p.m.

Philadelphia at Houston, 7:30 p.m.

Colorado at Chivas USA, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday Oct. 21st

Portland at Vancouver, 7 p.m.

Los Angeles at San Jose, 7 p.m.

Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL

SOCCER SCORES

Thursday's results

Brazil 6 Iraq 0

Laos 3 Brunei Darussalam 1

Myanmar 3 Cambodia 0

2014 WORLD CUP

QUALIFYING

GROUP A

Friday's games —All Times Eastern

At St. John's, Antigua and Barbuda

Antigua and Barbuda vs. U.S., 7 p.m.

At Guatemala City

Guatemala vs. Jamaica, 10 p.m.

GROUP B

Friday's games

At Houston

Guayna vs. Mexico, 9 p.m.

At San Salvador, El Salvador

El Salvador vs. Costa Rica, 9:30 p.m.

GROUP C

Friday's games

At Toronto

Canada vs. Cuba, 7:45 p.m.

At Panama City, Panama

Panama vs. Honduras, 10:05 p.m.

CFL

WEEK 15

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Montreal	14	8	6	0	382	405	16
Toronto	14	7	7	0	327	357	14
Hamilton	14	5	9	0	421	444	10
Winnipeg	14	4	10	0	274	428	8

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
x-B.C.	14	10	4	0	365	271	20
Saskatchewan	14	8	6	0	377	290	16
Calgary	14	8	6	0	398	329	16
Edmonton	14	6	8	0	314	334	12

x — clinched playoff berth.

Monday's results

Saskatchewan 36 Toronto 10

Winnipeg 27 Montreal 22

Saturday's result

B.C. 27 Calgary 22

Friday's result

Edmonton 35 Hamilton 20

WEEK 16

Friday's game — All Times Eastern

B.C. at Hamilton, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's games

Calgary at Winnipeg, 1 p.m.

Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 4 p.m.

Sunday's game — Montreal at Toronto, 1 p.m.

CIS FOOTBALL

WEEK SEVEN

Friday's games — All Times Eastern

Manitoba at Saskatchewan, 9 p.m.

Calgary at Alberta, 9 p.m.

Saturday's games

St. Francis Xavier at Acadia, 1 p.m.

Saint Mary's at Mount Allison, 1 p.m.

Bishop's at Sherbrooke, 1 p.m.

Laval at Montreal, 1 p.m.

Wilfrid Laurier at Western Ontario, 1 p.m.

Queen's at Guelph, 1 p.m.

York at Toronto, 1 p.m.

Waterloo at Ottawa, 1 p.m.

Windsor at McMaster, 1 p.m.

Regina at British Columbia, 5 p.m.

Concordia at McGill, 7 p.m.

TENNIS

WTA

GENERALI LADIES

At Linz, Austria

Singles — Second Round

Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def.

Simona Halep, Romania, 6-1, 6-1.

Ana Ivanovic (2), Serbia, def. Andrea

Petkovic, Germany, 6-4, 6-3.

Bethanie Mattek-Sands, United States,

def. Carla Suarez Navarro, Spain, 6-3, 6-3.

Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, def. Kiki

Bertens, Netherlands, 6-4, 7-6 (7).

Petra Martic, Croatia, def. Patricia

Mayr-Achleitner, Austria, 6-2, 3-6, 6-0.

Kirsten Flipkens, Belgium, def. Mallory

Burdette, United States, 6-4, 6-1, 7-5.

Doubles — Quarter-finals

Julia Georges, Germany, and Barbora

Zahlavova Strycova (2), Czech Republic,

def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, and Tamira

Paszek, Austria, 6-1, 6-4.

Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, and

Kveta Peschke (1), Czech Republic, def.

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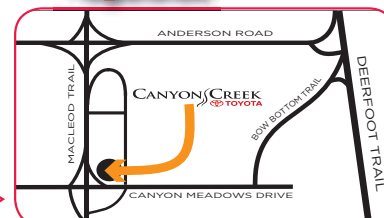
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Horoscopes

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

What you decide to focus on today and over the weekend depends on trust. Specifically, do you trust partners and colleagues enough to take their advice seriously? That's something only you can decide.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

The planets indicate that the more you push yourself now, the more you will achieve. The approaching new moon will boost your vitality and make it easier to get things done — both at home and at work.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You won't lack for confidence over the next 24 hours. Even if you are one of those rare Geminis who is cautious by nature, you will take risks left, right and centre. Don't aim for perfection, aim to have fun.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You want the chance to prove yourself to the world and you will get it over the next few days. But don't push yourself so hard that you risk some sort of injury. Everyone has limits — even a Cancerian.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

It seems you have something on your mind, something you feel needs to be said, and if others don't like it that's just too bad. You can be quite harsh when the mood takes you — and it's taking you now.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You need to adopt a more adventurous approach, especially where your personal life is concerned. Most of all, you need to get over your fear of rejection. The person you most need to love is yourself.

♏ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There is a new moon in your birth sign on Monday. Between now and then, you should give some thought to what kind of new start you want to make. Don't limit your horizons: Think big and act big too.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

It's good to be tolerant, to accept that different people see things in different ways, but that does not mean you have to change your own ways. You are who you are for a reason — a good reason, too.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You are in one of those moods where you have very little patience with people who drag their feet or get in your way. Be warned though that if you are too abrasive, you could make a serious enemy — or several.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You may be worried that you won't make it to the top of whatever level it is you aspire to, but you will. Your greatest trait is not your ambition, but your staying power. You refuse to give up.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You've had your fill of certain people and intend to get away from them as soon as possible. Good for you. A change of scene will do you a world of good today. Stretch it to several days if you can.

♓ Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

The approaching new moon will help you sort out your money situation but you've got to accept it will take time. If you act in haste today, you may regret it come Monday when other options reveal themselves. **SALLY BROMPTON**

More of This, More of That, Less of the Other

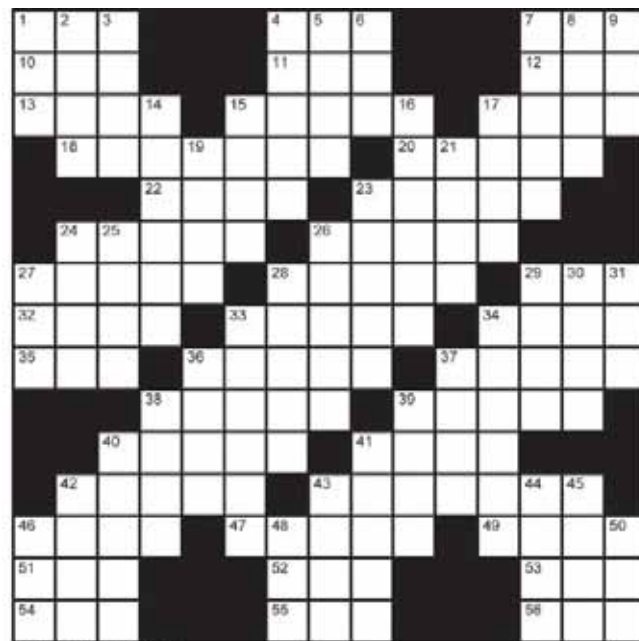
Across

1. Blue Jays' games ailer
4. Weep
7. Lamb's bleat
10. In the manner of (2 wds.)
11. Caviar source
12. Free (of)
13. North or South ____
15. Butcher shop sales
17. "Electric" fishes
18. BC's ____ National Park, in the Rockies near Revelstoke
20. ____ and have-nots
22. Prairie Province: abbr.
23. Called, as a crow
24. "Have ____!": "No need to stand" (2 wds.)
26. Fly-fisherman's flies
27. Territory that doesn't have Territory in its name
28. Dust particles
29. Bit of a beverage
32. "Don't rub ____!" (2 wds.)
33. "____ by the bell!"
34. Resident of what was once known as Siam
35. Opp. of neg.
36. Aquatic mammal
37. Tommy ____: Cheech's Edmonton-born partner
38. Apple centre remover
39. Versifiers
40. Labyrinths
41. Croat neighbor
42. Mothers: Fr.
43. Anthem with English and French versions (2 wds.)
46. Appetizer spread
47. Crystal ball gazers
49. National Park just

across the Alberta-British Columbia border from Banff
51. Make a mistake
52. By way of
53. Black or green drink
54. Teeny
55. Jungfrau or Matterhorn, e.g.
56. CPR expert: initialism

Down

1. Tuque, for one
2. Online report
3. Get on the phone
4. Small channel or stream
5. Enthusiastic audience's sound
6. Still
7. Distinct variety of a species
8. Doesn't feel well
9. Personals
14. ____ the brakes: apply brakes gently (2 wds.)
15. Cloud around Niagara Falls
16. Divvied up
17. Nights before
19. The Godfather actor James
21. Bedazzles
23. More "Awww"-inspiring
24. Car
25. Slope equipment
26. Romeo or Lothario
27. High-pitched bark
28. First ____: captains' subordinates
29. Amount in a whiskey glass
30. Actors Guinness and McKellen
31. Overeat, with "out"
33. Duress
34. Canada's best known retailer, familiarly (2 wds.)
36. Seep
37. Cob covering
38. Supervision
39. Pod occupants
40. 39.37 inches
41. Abandon, as a project
42. Equine female
43. Trompe l' ____: fool-the-eye art (from French)
44. Act like a loving grandparent
45. "Attention please!"
46. Church bench
48. "Little" singer of "The Loco-motion"
50. Rye cousin



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Yesterday's Crossword



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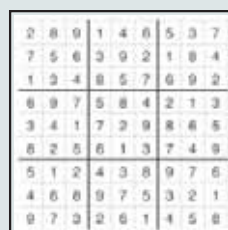
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Yesterday's Sudoku



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